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## Overview

EMC® Atmos™ is an object-storage system with enormous scalability and extensibility. It uses metadata-driven policies to manage data placement and data services. The system offers multiple file- and object-access mechanisms; for example, file access is available using NFS, CIFS, and installable file systems for selected operating systems.

This guide describes the programmatic interfaces to create, read, update, and delete objects, and to manage object metadata. The object interface and local file system support metadata operations including tagging objects with user-defined metadata (to form user-defined collections of objects). APIs are available for REST and SOAP Web services.

Application developers use an API to create and manipulate objects and metadata. Applications can associate metadata with objects they store in the repository. Metadata can be used to trigger policies (defined by the system administrator) that meet customer goals for performance, data protection, content delivery, archiving, etc.

The Web services APIs support both an *object interface* and a file-system-like *namespace interface*. The namespace allows users to create directories and assign names to files that they create.

For complete command descriptions, including sample requests and responses for each command, see [Chapter 3](#) and [Chapter 5](#).

## Using the Object Interface

### Example: Creating an Object

The following example shows how to create an object. (Throughout this chapter, the line numbers are not part of the examples. They are included to clarify the discussion.)

```

1      POST /rest/objects HTTP/1.1
2      accept: */*
3      x-emc-useracl: john=FULL_CONTROL,mary=READ
4      date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:03:52 GMT
5      content-type: application/octet-stream
6      x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:03:52 GMT
7      x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
8      host: 168.159.116.96
9      content-length: 211
10     x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
11     x-emc-signature: KpT+3InilW+CS6YwJEAwyvI1Is=

```

Each line of the example is explained briefly in the table following the example, along with a reference to other sections to obtain more detail.

Line #	Description	See...
1	Identifies the command and, where needed, the object being acted on. In this line, <code>/rest/objects</code> indicates an object is being referenced; alternately, you can specify a filename.	<a href="#">“Specifying Objects/Files in REST Commands” on page 40</a>
2	Standard HTTP header.	N/A
3	Sets access rights to the object for the specified user ID(s) (UIDs). In this case, Mary is granted read access and John is granted full access (read and write).	<a href="#">Chapter 2, “Common REST Headers”</a>
4	Specifies the date in UTC format, as defined in RFC 2616, section 3.3.1. Dates are used to (1) check whether a request is valid within the Web server’s validity time window, and (2) compute signatures.	<a href="#">Chapter 2, “Common REST Headers”</a>
5	Specifies the type of object being stored.	<a href="#">Chapter 2, “Common REST Headers”</a>

Line #	Description	See...
6	Specifies the date in UTC format, as defined in RFC 2616, section 3.3.1. Dates are used to (1) check whether a request is valid within the Web server's validity time window, and (2) compute signatures.	<a href="#">Chapter 2, "Common REST Headers"</a>
7	Sets access rights to the object ID for the user group.	<a href="#">Chapter 2, "Common REST Headers"</a>
8	Standard HTTP header specifying the server that is the recipient of this request.	N/A
9	Standard HTTP header specifying the length of the request/response body, in bytes.	<a href="#">Chapter 2, "Common REST Headers"</a>
10	Specifies the UID of an application that is consuming the REST API and the ID of the subtenant to which that UID belongs. The format is subtenant-ID/application-ID.	<a href="#">Chapter 2, "Common REST Headers"</a>
11	Specifies the signature, which is a means for the system to authenticate the UID making the request.	<a href="#">Chapter 2, "Common REST Headers"</a> and <a href="#">"Managing Authentication"</a> on page 163

## System Metadata

System metadata is one of the two types of metadata. (The other type is user metadata; see “[Non-listable User Metadata](#)” on page 16 and “[Listable User Metadata](#)” on page 18.)

System metadata is generated automatically and updated by the system based on a predefined schema.

**Table 1 System Metadata you can request from the Web Service**

Name	Description	Example
atime	Last access time	2007-10-29T18:19:57Z
ctime	Last user-data modification time	2007-10-29T18:19:56Z
gid	Group ID	Apache
itime	Inception (create) time	2007-10-29T18:19:57Z
mtime	Last metadata modification time	2007-10-29T18:19:57Z
nlink	Number of hard links to a file. This is an internal, file-system reference count, generally not relevant to a user application	0
objectid	Object ID	4924264aa10573d404924281caf51f049242d810edc8
objname	Object name (filename or directory name), for objects created in the namespace. This is blank if the object does not have a name.	paris (for the directory photos/2008/paris /) sunset.jpg (for the file photos/2008/paris /sunset.jpg)
policyname	Name of the policy under which the object is stored. If no policy was explicitly triggered for this object, either during creation or after the fact, the default policy is applied to it.	default

Table 1 System Metadata you can request from the Web Service

Name	Description	Example
size	Object size in bytes	2971
type	String representing the data type, either "regular" (for objects or files) or "directory"	"regular" — OR — "directory"
uid	User ID (the owner)	user1
x-emc-wschecksum	String containing the checksum value and other related information. <i>algorithm</i> — Represents the hashing algorithm used. Valid values: SHA0. <i>offset</i> — Represents the offset at which the checksum was calculated. <i>checksumValue</i> — Represents the hash of the object at the offset.	sha0/1037/87hn7kkdd9d98 2f031qwe9ab224abjd6h127 6nj9

### Example: Getting System Metadata

The following example shows the request input for the `GetSystemMetadata` operation. The suffix `?metadata/system` is appended to the end of the object ID. In this case, all system metadata is returned; it also is possible to request only particular types of system metadata (see [“Getting System Metadata” on page 62](#) for REST or [“Getting System Metadata” on page 126](#) for SOAP).

#### Request

```
GET
/rest/objects/499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560a4
?metadata/system HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Thu, 05 Jun 2008 16:38:23 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Thu, 05 Jun 2008 16:38:23 GMT
host: 10.5.115.118
x-emc-uid: 6039ac182f194e15b9261d73ce044939/user1
x-emc-signature: 00NL3HHhyUXiRDTdWK52xqhQxTE=
```

**Response**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:36:18 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-meta: atime=2009-02-18T16:27:24Z,
mtime=2009-02-18T16:03:52Z, ctime=2009-02-18T16:27:24Z,
itime=2009-02-18T16:03:52Z, type=regular, uid=user1,
gid=apache,
objectid=499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560a4,
objname=, size=211, nlink=0, policyname=default
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
```

---

## Non-listable User Metadata

*User metadata* is a collection of text name-value pairs, which are not validated by the system. A user can store up to 127 user-metadata pairs. User metadata allows application developers the flexibility to create custom tags for data specific to the application they are developing. The Web service specifies user metadata using two types of tags: non-listable (described below) and listable (see [“Listable User Metadata”](#) on page 18).

*Non-listable* metadata tags (also just called metadata tags) are a way of classifying an object. Often, metadata tags are used to trigger policies; for example, a tag-value pair of `Customer=Executive` could trigger a different policy than a tag-value pair of `Customer=Sales`. Talk to your system administrator to find out which metadata tag names trigger which policies in your system. (For an overview of policies, see *EMC Atmos Conceptual Overview*. For procedures to create policies, see *EMC Atmos Administrator’s Guide*.)

There is no restriction on user metadata name size in Atmos, but user metadata values are restricted to 1 KB.

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### Example: Creating an Object with Non-listable User Metadata

This example builds on the one in [“Example: Creating an Object”](#) on page 11, with the addition of a line (in boldface) that define non-listable metadata tags:

```

1      POST /rest/objects HTTP/1.1
2      x-emc-meta: part1=buy
3      accept: */*
4      x-emc-useracl: john=FULL_CONTROL,mary=READ
5      date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:03:52 GMT
6      content-type: application/octet-stream
7      x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:03:52 GMT
8      x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
9      host: 168.159.116.96
10     content-length: 211
11     x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
12     x-emc-signature: KpT+3InilW+CS6YwJEAwyvIlIs=

```

Line #	Description	See...
2	Sets the value of non-listable metadata tags. This might be used to trigger a policy that is implemented for this system; for example, a policy might treat the data for a certain type of customer in a specific way. In this case, the object being created is given a metadata tag named <code>part1</code> , with a value of <code>buy</code> .	<a href="#">Chapter 2, "Common REST Headers" "Non-listable User Metadata" on page 16</a>

### Example: Setting (Non-listable) User Metadata

In the following example, the `x-emc-meta` header specifies a non-listable user metadata tag for an already existing object (specified by the object ID on the first line):

```

POST
/rest/objects/499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560a4?metadata/user HTTP/1.1
x-emc-meta: part1=order
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:27:24 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:27:24 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: OLI2TcDNWQ29gZv+ONr1ufCKA9M=

```

## Listable User Metadata

As mentioned above, there are two types of user metadata: non-listable (see “[Non-listable User Metadata](#)” on page 16) and listable (described below).

*Listable* metadata tags are metadata tags by which an object is indexed (and can be retrieved). For example, a user who wants to assign tags that classify the photos he took on vacation might create tags called beach, hotel, restaurant, and so on. This tagging can be done as part of the operations to create or update objects or set user metadata. In the file system, listable tags show up as directories containing symbolic links to the actual objects.

The same object can be tagged with multiple names; this is how tags differ from containers, as an object can belong to only one container. Note that these tags are private to the user who creates them; tags created by one user cannot be seen by another user.

There can be a hierarchy of listable metadata tags. For example, a listable metadata tag specification of `/vacation/2008/paris` creates a hierarchy of directories in the file system: `paris` is a subdirectory of `2008`, and `2008` is a subdirectory of `vacation`. The symbolic link to the object is under `paris`.

Users can use this functionality for easy indexing, searching, and retrieval of objects. For example, a user might have 2008 vacation pictures in two listable directories, `vacation/2008/paris` and `vacation/2008/china`. Then, he can easily retrieve a list of all pictures from his 2008 China vacation by issuing a `ListObjects` operation and specifying `vacation/2008/china` as the input parameter.

As another example, suppose we have a tag pair of `location=boston` for a new object, and we make the location tag listable. Then, if we perform a `ListObjects` operation with the tag argument specified as `location`, the object is returned in the response. If we remove `location` as a listable tag for the object, when we do a `ListObjects` request with the tag argument specified as `location`, the object is not returned.

As with non-listable user metadata, there is no restriction on listable user metadata name size in Atmos, but user metadata values are restricted to 1 KB.

### Example: Creating an Object with Listable Metadata Tags

This example builds on the one in “[Example: Creating an Object with Non-listable User Metadata](#)” on page 16, with the addition of a line (in boldface) that define listable metadata tags:

```

1      POST /rest/objects HTTP/1.1
2      x-emc-listable-meta: part4/part7/part8=quick
3      x-emc-meta: part1=buy
4      accept: */*
5      x-emc-useracl: john=FULL_CONTROL,mary=READ
6      date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:03:52 GMT
7      content-type: application/octet-stream
8      x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:03:52 GMT
9      x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
10     host: 168.159.116.96
11     content-length: 211
12     x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
13     x-emc-signature: KpT+3Ini1W+CS6YwJEAwyWv1IIs=

```

Line #	Description	See...
2	Sets the value of listable metadata tags. In this example, in the file system, <code>part8</code> is a subdirectory of <code>part7</code> , and <code>part7</code> is a subdirectory of <code>part4</code> . A symbolic link to the object, named <code>quick</code> , is under <code>part8</code> .	<a href="#">Chapter 2, “Common REST Headers”</a> and “ <a href="#">Listable User Metadata</a> ” on page 18

### Example: Setting Listable Metadata Tags

This example builds on the one in “[Example: Setting \(Non-listable\) User Metadata](#)” on page 17, with the addition of a line (in boldface) that defines a listable user-metadata tag:

```

POST
/rest/objects/499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560
a4?metadata/user HTTP/1.1
x-emc-listable-meta: part3=fast
x-emc-meta: part1=order
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:27:24 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:27:24 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: OLI2TcDNWQ29gZv+ONr1ufCKA9M=

```

## Using the Namespace Interface

Atmos Web services allow you to assign a filename to an object when creating the object. This enables clients to use their own name when referring to an object (filename), rather than an object ID that Atmos assigns to the object.

**NOTE:** *Directly under the / directory, you can create only directories, not files.* While creating a file, if you refer to a directory that does not exist, it is created automatically. In the example above, if the `photos` directory does not exist, it is created for you.

For information about constructing commands to specify files instead of objects, see [“Specifying Objects/Files in REST Commands” on page 40](#).

A simple example is shown below. Examples of using the namespace interface for each command are in see [Chapter 3](#) and [Chapter 5](#).

### Example: Creating a Directory

To create a directory, you must use the namespace interface. When specifying the object’s name, a trailing slash (/) identifies it as a directory (for example, `mydirectory/`).

#### Request

```
POST /rest/namespace/mydirectory/ HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:30:13 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:30:13 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: Qfq/rwMcQh74Pl8W4JkyTJiPZW4=
```

#### Response

```
HTTP/1.1 201 Created
Date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:30:13 GMT
Server: Apache
location:
/rest/objects/4a3fd8dfa2a8482004a3fd9315cf4704a76e665d80
be
x-emc-delta: 0
x-emc-policy:
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
```

### Example: Creating a File in a Directory

To create a file in a directory, include the parent directory’s name in the namespace request (below, `mydirectory/samplefile`).

If any intermediate directories do not exist, they are created automatically.

**Request**

```
POST /rest/namespace/mydirectory/samplefile HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:32:34 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:32:34 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
content-length: 27
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: onk0Z8dvgqxKk6wDhlDznKrZqfM=
content-md5: i0WfXUgeVagRWCSGes+hUQ==
content for this file
```

**Response**

```
HTTP/1.1 201 Created
Date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:32:34 GMT
Server: Apache
location:
/rest/objects/4a3fd8dfa2a8482004a3fd9315cf4704a76e6f2f10
72
x-emc-delta: 27
x-emc-policy: default
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
```

---

### Example: Listing a Directory

A ReadObject call on a directory returns a list of the directory's children (files and subdirectories).

**Request**

```
GET /rest/namespace/mydirectory HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:33:38 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:33:38 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: 6owPphyncgDRLkpZ8okLerzabzM=
```

**Response**

```

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:33:38 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-policy: _int
Content-Length: 327
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
x-emc-useracl: user1=FULL_CONTROL
x-emc-meta: atime=2009-08-03T13:30:13Z,
mtime=2009-08-03T13:32:34Z, ctime=2009-08-03T13:32:34Z,
itime=2009-08-03T13:30:13Z, type=directory, uid=user1,
gid=apache,
objectid=4a3fd8dfa2a8482004a3fd9315cf4704a76e665d80be,
objname=mydirectory, size=4096, nlink=1,
policyname=default
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/xml

<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<ListDirectoryResponse xmlns='http://www.emc.com/cos/'>
  <DirectoryList>
    <DirectoryEntry>

<ObjectID>4a3fd8dfa2a8482004a3fd9315cf4704a76e6f2f1072</
ObjectID>
    <FileType>regular</FileType>
    <Filename>samplefile</Filename>
  </DirectoryEntry>
</DirectoryList>
</ListDirectoryResponse>

```

**Example: Reading a File**

To read a file, use the Read Object operation, specifying the name of the file.

**Request**

```

GET /rest/namespace/mydirectory/samplefile HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:34:38 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:34:38 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: Tg2VUWnBQ9daW5OZafB0ltBc7Vw=

```

**Response**

```

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:34:38 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-policy: default
Content-Length: 27
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
x-emc-useracl: user1=FULL_CONTROL
x-emc-meta: atime=2009-08-03T13:32:35Z,
mtime=2009-08-03T13:32:35Z, ctime=2009-08-03T13:32:35Z,
itime=2009-08-03T13:32:34Z, type=regular, uid=user1,
gid=apache,
objectid=4a3fd8dfa2a8482004a3fd9315cf4704a76e6f2f1072,
objname=samplefile, size=27, nlink=1, policyname=default
Connection: close
Content-Type: application/octet-stream

content for this file

```

---

### Example: Reading Part of a File

To read part of a file, use the Read Object method with the Range request header. In the example below, the request is for 11 bytes (bytes 5-15).

**Request**

```

GET /rest/namespace/mydirectory/samplefile HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:35:11 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:35:11 GMT
range: Bytes=5-15
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: vv7reSLatse4u7Wxo07FPSjJCpY=

```

**Response**

```

HTTP/1.1 206 Partial Content
Date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:35:11 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-policy: default
Content-Length: 11
Content-Range: bytes 5-15/27
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
x-emc-useracl: user1=FULL_CONTROL
x-emc-meta: atime=2009-08-03T13:32:35Z,
mtime=2009-08-03T13:32:35Z, ctime=2009-08-03T13:32:35Z,
itime=2009-08-03T13:32:34Z, type=regular, uid=user1,
gid=apache,
objectid=4a3fd8dfa2a8482004a3fd9315cf4704a76e6f2f1072,
objname=samplefile, size=27, nlink=1, policyname=default
Connection: close
Content-Type: application/octet-stream

content for

```

---

## Example: Updating a file

**Request**

```
PUT /rest/namespace/mydirectory/samplefile HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:36:41 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:36:41 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
content-length: 18
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: 0KL4MpDj/hI8ZGRnEOL2+1Mda5k=
content-md5: jv6qMXW6eTuumbd40ynJvQ==

different content
```

**Response**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Mon, 03 Aug 2009 13:36:41 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-delta: -9
x-emc-policy: default
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
```

## Using Checksum Protection

Atmos supports end-to-end SHA0 checksum protection for objects created with the REST interface that are stored in erasure coded replicas.

**Note:** Atmos does not reject checksum requests for data stored in non-EC replica types, but it does not ensure end-to-end protection for them.

To invoke checksum protection on a create or update request include the `x-emc-wschecksum` custom header. The `x-emc-checksum` header includes:

```
x-emc-wschecksum: algorithm/offset/checksumValue
```

Where:

- ◆ *algorithm* — Is set to SHA0.
- ◆ *offset* — Specifies the offset where the algorithm was calculated.
- ◆ *checksumValue* — Specifies the hash of the object to create or update.

On a create request, you must pass in the checksum value for the complete object. The data flow for an object create request that includes the checksum header.

1. A web services application invokes a create request passing in the `x-emc-wschecksum` custom header.
2. The Atmos web services node validates the checksum, and if it is valid, it uses the client API to request the appropriate storage services operations on the object create request. If the checksum does not validate with the request header, Atmos rejects the request.
3. The Atmos storage services writes the new object/fragment to the drives.
4. Atmos returns the success/failure response to the web services application.

You can obtain the checksum value for an object by performing a read operation (using the GET or HEAD HTTP methods) or a Get System Metadata request. The `x-emc-wschecksum` header is returned in the response.

For more information about checksum operations, see:

- ◆ [Table 3, “Atmos Custom Headers.”](#)
- ◆ [“Creating an Object.”](#)
- ◆ [“Updating an Object.”](#)
- ◆ [“Getting System Metadata.”](#)

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## System metadata for objects

When an Atmos object is successfully created with a checksum value, Atmos creates checksum metadata for the object. The checksum metadata includes:

```
x-maui-wschecksum =  
Algorithm/Offset/LibraryName/LibraryVersion/ChecksumValue/Context
```

Where:

- ◆ **Algorithm** — the name of the hashing algorithm (SHA0).
- ◆ **Offset** — the offset at which the checksum was computed.
- ◆ **LibraryName** — the name of the library used to compute the checksum.
- ◆ **LibraryVersion** — the version of the library used to compute the checksum.
- ◆ **ChecksumValue** — Hash value for the object at the Offset specified above.
- ◆ **Context** — Serialized context at the offset. This allows the checksum computation to be resumed at the offset.

By including the offset and context in the metadata, Atmos enables applications to resume failed uploads from the point of failure instead of uploading the entire object from the beginning.

If you have an object create or update that fails, you can:

1. Issue a HEAD request on the object that failed to upload completely.
2. The server returns x-emc-wschecksum header with a value containing the algorithm/offset/checksumValue.
3. Your application can then resume the upload (with checksum validation) from this offset instead of from the beginning.

This chapter describes the common REST headers. For a list of the headers related to specific requests and responses, refer to each operation.

- ◆ [Standard HTTP Headers](#)..... 28
- ◆ [Custom Headers](#)..... 31

A request can have up to 100 HTTP headers, each up to 8kb.

## Standard HTTP Headers

Table 2 Standard HTTP Headers

Header	Description
Content-Length	The length of the request/response body, in bytes.
Content-Type	Optional. Used to get and set the content type of the object. The default is application/octet-stream. Any value can be entered here, but only valid HTTP content types are understood when data is retrieved; for example, by a browser.

Table 2 Standard HTTP Headers

Header	Description
Date : <i>date_in_UTC_format</i>	<p>(Optional: Date and/or x-emc-date must be in the request.)</p> <p>Date in UTC format, as defined in RFC 2616, section 3.3.1; for example, Thu, 31 Jan 2008 19:37:28 GMT. Many HTTP clients set this header automatically.</p> <p>This date is used to check whether a request is valid within the Web server's validity time window. For this purpose, the timestamp in the x-emc-date header takes priority over this header. The Web server first checks for the x-emc-date header and uses its timestamp. If the x-emc-date header is not present, the Web server checks for the Date header and uses its timestamp.</p> <p>This date also is used for signature computation; see <a href="#">“REST Authentication: Algorithm for Securing REST Messages with Signatures”</a> on page 164.</p>
Expect	<p>Optional. May be used with the 100-continue expectation:</p> <p>Expect: 100-continue</p> <p>Sending this request header tells the server that the client will wait for a 100 Continue response before sending the request body. This is useful if you want the server to validate all request headers (including the signature), before the client sends data. This header may be used with POST and PUT methods, especially to create and update objects.</p>

Table 2 Standard HTTP Headers

Header	Description
Range: Bytes= <i>begin_offset-end_offset</i>	<p>When <i>updating</i> an object, you can update either the entire object or a single range of an object. To update a single range, use the Range header.</p> <p>For <i>reading</i> an object, byte ranges are implemented per the HTTP 1.1 specification. You may request the entire object, a single range of an object, or multiple ranges of an object. When multiple ranges are requested, a multipart message is returned. The multipart media type is "multipart/byteranges."</p> <p>Range header formats:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Format: bytes=first-last            Example: range: bytes=10-20            Description: From first byte index to last byte index, inclusive.            Use: Reading or updating an object</li> <li>• Format: bytes=first-            Example: range: bytes=10-            Description: From first byte index until the end of the object (for example, object size - 1).            Use: Reading an object</li> <li>• Format: bytes=-length            Example: range: bytes=-30            Description: The last length bytes.            Use: Reading an object</li> </ul> <p>For details, see the HTTP 1.1 specification (<a href="http://www.w3.org/Protocols/rfc2616/rfc2616-sec14.html#sec14.35">http://www.w3.org/Protocols/rfc2616/rfc2616-sec14.html#sec14.35</a>).</p>

## Custom Headers

Table 3 Atmos Custom Headers

Header	Description
x-emc-date : <i>date_in_UTC_format</i>	<p>(Optional: Date and/or x-emc-date must be in the request.)</p> <p>Date in UTC format, as defined in RFC 2616, section 3.3.1; for example, Thu, 31 Jan 2008 19:37:28 GMT. This is set by the user.</p> <p>This date is used to check whether a request is valid within the Web server's validity time window. For this purpose, the timestamp in this header takes priority over the standard <code>Date</code> header. The Web server first checks for the x-emc-date header and uses its timestamp. If the x-emc-date header is not present, the Web server checks for the <code>Date</code> header and uses its timestamp.</p> <p>This date also is used for signature computation; see <a href="#">“REST Authentication: Algorithm for Securing REST Messages with Signatures” on page 164</a>.</p> <p>This header is provided because some development frameworks set the standard HTTP <code>Date</code> header automatically and do not allow the application developer to set it. In such cases, the developer can set and use this header for signature computation.</p>
x-emc-delta	<p>Present only in responses from the server. The value of this header specifies the number of bytes by which the total disk space used by the user went up (positive number) or down (negative number) as a result of the operation.</p>
x-emc-force	<p>Used with the <a href="#">“Renaming a File or Directory in the Namespace”</a> operation.</p> <p>Specifies whether to overwrite a file or directory if the name you specify already exists in the namespace. If you do not specify this header, it defaults to false, the file or directory is not overwritten, and the rename operation fails.</p> <p>Example: x-emc-force:true</p>

Table 3 Atmos Custom Headers

Header	Description
<code>x-emc-groupacl:other=<i>permission</i></code>	Sets the access rights to this object for the specified user group(s). Valid values are READ, WRITE, NONE, and FULL_CONTROL. They are not case sensitive when specified but always are returned in uppercase. Only the OTHER group is supported; this applies to everyone other than the object owner.
<code>x-emc-include-meta</code>	(Optional) This header can be used only in requests to list objects. If the header's value is 0 or it is omitted, the list-objects request returns only object IDs. If the header's value is 1, the list-objects request returns an object list with system and user metadata.
<code>x-emc-limit</code>	(Optional) This header can be used only in list-objects requests. It specifies the maximum number of items that should be returned. (The response may include fewer items.) If this is 0 or not specified, there is no limit. Also see " <a href="#">x-emc-token</a> " on page 35.
<code>x-emc-listable-meta: tag_name1=<i>value1</i> [,tag_name2=<i>value2</i>...]</code>	Used in requests to set listable metadata tags for an object and their values. This header can be used in requests for creating an object, updating an object, and setting user metadata and responses for getting user metadata and reading an object. There can be only one of these headers per request, with up to 127 comma-separated, name-value pairs.  <b>Note:</b> If you are using both listable (x-emc-listable-meta) and non-listable (x-emc-meta) metadata tags, the combined total of name-value pairs cannot exceed 127. For example, if you define 50 listable name-value pairs, you have 77 available for use as non-listable tags.  Metadata names and values sent through the REST interface can use any characters from the iso-8859-1 character set.

Table 3 Atmos Custom Headers

Header	Description
x-emc-listable-tags: <i>tag_name1</i> [ <i>,tag_name2...</i> ]	<p>Used in responses to return listable metadata tags for an object (which are set with the x-emc-listable-meta header).</p> <p>Special characters: If a metadata tag name contains a character that is not in the iso-8859-1 character set, that character is replaced with a question mark (?) character for display purposes. For example, consider a metadata tag name <math>\beta</math>Beta (containing the Greek letter Beta). The Beta character may not be sent as a HTTP header, so it is replaced in the returned list as follows: x-emc-tags: mykey1, mykey2, ?eta</p>
x-emc-meta: <i>tag_name1=value1</i> [ <i>,tag_name2=value2...</i> ]	<p>Used in requests and responses, to set and get non-listable metadata tags for an object and their values. There can be only one of these headers per request, with up to 127 comma-separated, name-value pairs. Also used in the response for getting system metadata, to list system metadata values.</p> <hr/> <p><b>Note:</b> If you are using both listable (x-emc-listable-meta) and non-listable (x-emc-meta) metadata tags, the combined total of name-value pairs cannot exceed 127. For example, if you define 50 listable name-value pairs, you have 77 available for use as non-listable tags.</p> <hr/> <p>Metadata names and values sent through the REST interface can use any characters from the iso-8859-1 character set.</p>
x-emc-path	<p>Specifies the full path to the new directory or file name within the same namespace. If you specify a parent directory that does not already exist, the operation creates it. Used with the operation for <a href="#">“Renaming a File or Directory in the Namespace” on page 87</a>. You cannot use this to move a file or directory to a different namespace. Example: x-emc-path: full/path/to/new/name</p>

Table 3 Atmos Custom Headers

Header	Description
x-emc-policy	Used in all responses, though the value depends on the type of request: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For requests that deal with the actual content of an object (for example, creating, deleting, and reading an object), the value of x-emc-policy is the name of the policy which was applied to this object.</li> <li>For other operations (for example, metadata or ACL operations), the value of x-emc-policy is set to the reserved word <code>_int</code>.</li> </ul>
x-emc-signature: <i>signature</i>	The signature provides a means for the system to authenticate the UID making the request. See <a href="#">“REST Authentication: Algorithm for Securing REST Messages with Signatures”</a> on page 164 for details on constructing this header.
x-emc-system-tags	(Optional) This header can be used only in requests to list objects. With it, you can specify selected system metadata tags to be returned as key/value pairs for each object that is retrieved.
x-emc-tags: <i>tag_name1</i> [, <i>tag_name2</i> ...]	Used in responses, to get non-listable metadata tags for an object (which are set with the x-emc-meta header). Also used in requests for both user metadata and system metadata. There can be only one of these headers per request or response. For an example, see <a href="#">“Listing Objects”</a> on page 66.  Some operations accept only one tag name; others accept multiple tag names, separated by commas. For correct usage, see the documentation for a specific operation.  For limits on the character set, see the description of special characters on page 33.

Table 3 Atmos Custom Headers

Header	Description
x-emc-token	<p>(Optional) This header can appear in listObjects, readObject, and Get Listable Tags requests and responses.</p> <p>When x-emc-token appears in a response, it indicates that more data exists than was returned in the response. It provides an identifier for the next item to be retrieved. You use the identifier in a subsequent request to specify the item where data retrieval should start to get the next (page) set of results.</p> <p>When listing a directory using readObject or when using listObjects, the x-emc-token header may be returned in the response headers at any time. If x-emc-token is not returned in the response, there are no more results.</p> <p>For listObjects and readObject, you can use the combination of x-emc-token and x-emc-limit. If x-emc-token is specified and x-emc-limit is 0, all objects from that point on are requested.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The x-emc-token simply maintains state and should not be interpreted.</p> <p>If the object that the x-emc-token points to is no longer indexed under the given tag, (either because the object has been deleted or because its listable metadata has been removed), the operation may fail with the 1037 error code.</p>
x-emc-uid: <i>subtenant_id/user_id</i>	<p>user_id is the UID of an application that is using the API, and subtenant_id is the ID of the subtenant to which user_id belongs.</p> <p>If the subtenant ID is missing, the ID that is used is that of the default subtenant for the tenant who has access to the node to which you are connecting. Only one UID is allowed per request. The shared secret associated with this UID is used for signature generation; see <a href="#">“Managing Authentication” on page 163</a>.</p>

Table 3 Atmos Custom Headers

Header	Description
x-emc-unencodable-meta: tag_name1 [,tag_name2...]	<p>Occurs only in responses. Specifies a list of metadata tags that have names and/or values that are unencodable for REST.</p> <p>This can occur if a metadata name/value pair is created or updated in SOAP, using characters in the Unicode/UTF-8 character set (supported by SOAP) which are outside the iso-8859-1 character set (supported by REST).</p> <p>For more on limits on the character set, see the description of Special Characters on page 33.</p>

Table 3 Atmos Custom Headers

Header	Description
x-emc-user-tags	(Optional) This header can be used only in requests to list objects. With it, you can specify selected user metadata tags to be returned as key/value pairs for each object that is retrieved.
x-emc-useracl: <i>uid1=permission</i> [, <i>uid2=permission...</i> ]	<p>Sets the access rights to this object for the specified UID(s). Valid values are READ, WRITE, NONE, and FULL_CONTROL; these are not case sensitive when specified but always are returned in uppercase.</p> <p>The UID must belong to the same subtenant to which the requesting UID belongs. A UID created under a different subtenant cannot access objects owned by the authenticating subtenant.</p>
x-emc-wschecksum: <i>algorithm/offset/checksumValue</i>	<p>Supply this header in Create or Update requests when you want to use checksum protection of erasure coded replicas. These values are case-sensitive.</p> <p>The header includes:</p> <p><i>algorithm</i> — Represents the hashing algorithm used. Valid values: SHA0.</p> <p><i>offset</i> — The offset at which the checksum was calculated.</p> <p><i>checksumValue</i> — The hash of the object the user is creating or updating.</p> <p>This header occurs in response documents in the following circumstances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When the create or update request is successful, the x-emc-wschecksum header is returned to the requesting program with the same values sent with the request. If the create or update request is not successful, the response does not include this header.</li> <li>• When performing an object read (via HTTP GET and HEAD methods).</li> <li>• When performing a GET SystemMetadata request.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> Client applications are responsible for performing checksum verifications on object reads.</p>



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## Specifying Objects/Files in REST Commands

Atmos implements a standard REST interface to the Web service. The REST URL endpoint is `http://dns_name/rest`, with a suffix URI that describes the operation path.

To create an object using either the object or namespace interface, you specify a UID. Within the Atmos file system, the object you create is assigned a file-system UID and a default GID (group ID), where the UID is identical to the UID you specified in your create operation. Permissions must be set properly on the authentication system of the file-system mounting host, to ensure that objects created via Web services are accessible from the file-system interface. Failure to set permissions properly may result in an access error when attempting to retrieve a file.

To delete, update, or read an object, include the object ID (if you use the object interface) or filename (if you use the namespace interface).

### Namespace Access

Atmos Web services allow you to assign a filename to an object when creating the object. This enables clients to use their own name when referring to an object (filename), rather than an object ID that Atmos assigns to the object.

In the REST API, there are two different URL endpoints to access the object and namespace interfaces:

```
Object:      /rest/objects
Namespace:   /rest/namespace
```

For namespace access, a filename or directory name is sufficient; optionally, a full pathname (for either a file or directory) can be specified. In a create operation, if the pathname contains nonexistent directories, they are created automatically. The ACL specified in the request is applied to all newly created objects (files or directories). The metadata specified in the request is applied only to the leaf object (a file or directory).

The same set of operations is used to create, read, update, and delete both files and directories. When dealing with directories, however, there are two extra considerations:

- ◆ When creating a directory, the specified directory name must end with a forward slash (/):

```
/rest/namespace/directory_name/
```

For other operations, the forward slash can be used and is correct, but if it is omitted, the system figures it out automatically.

- ◆ There should be no payload in the request. If there is a payload, it is ignored.

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**Note:** An object can be modified or retrieved via the namespace interface only if it was created via the namespace interface. If it was created with the object interface, it is impossible to assign a filename to it later.

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## Namespace File Name Rules

The characters allowed in file names are governed by both Atmos and HTTP URI rules.

- ◆ Atmos allows any character in the printable ASCII character set in a filename except for ? and @.
- ◆ HTTP Request URIs allow: A-Z and a-z, 0-9, and / "-" / "." / "\_" / "~" / "!" / "\$" / "&" / "'" / "(" / ")" / "\*" / "+" / "," / ";" / "=" / ":"

For HTTP Request URIs all other ASCII characters must be URL-encoded (also referred to as percent-encoded). For example, the space character is an ASCII character that must be encoded. The representation of the space as an URL-encoded character is %20.

URL-encoding is only required for the Request URI in the HTTP request itself. Do not URL-encode characters when computing the HashString to sign the request for the CanonicalizedResource.

Suppose you request the file `pictures/my profile picture`. You would encode the file name `pictures/my profile picture` as `pictures/my%20profile%20picture`. But since the `CanonicalizedResource` should not be URL-encoded, the HashString would look similar to:

```
GET
application/octet-stream

Wed, 16 Dec 2009 21:15:51 GMT
/rest/namespace/pictures/my profile picture
x-emc-date:Wed, 16 Dec 2009 21:15:51 GMT
x-emc-uid:47cadb22de2e46328e49bafc02f64637/user1
```

Because the path (filename) in the Request-URI must be URL-encoded, the request would look similar to:

```
GET /rest/namespace/pictures/my%20profile%20picture
HTTP/1.1
date: Wed, 16 Dec 2009 21:15:51 GMT
x-emc-date: Wed, 16 Dec 2009 21:15:51 GMT
x-emc-uid: 47cadb22de2e46328e49bafc02f64637/user1
x-emc-signature: W6rNZOSD7YMWaUEOHw6jNqIVYcG=
```

## REST Commands

There are several types of methods:

- ◆ POST methods enable creating objects and setting user metadata and ACLs for specified objects.
- ◆ GET methods retrieve object data, including metadata and ACLs.
- ◆ There is a HEAD method corresponding to each GET method. A HEAD request looks exactly like a GET request, except the method name is HEAD instead of GET. The response from the server is different with a HEAD method: there is no response body, only headers are returned. This is especially useful for ReadObject requests when one wants to retrieve the object's user metadata, system metadata, and access-control list but not the object itself.
- ◆ PUT methods update object attributes.
- ◆ DELETE methods remove objects and metadata from the system.

In the following table, the entries in the URI column is prefixed by `http://dns_name/rest`. The *pathname* variable is the full pathname of a file or directory.

**Table 4** Data Management Operations

HTTP Method	Operation	URI
POST	"Creating an Object"	/objects – OR – /namespace/pathname
	"Renaming a File or Directory in the Namespace"	/namespace/pathname?rename
	"Setting an ACL"	/objects/objectID?acl – OR – /namespace/pathname?acl
GET/ HEAD	"Getting an ACL"	/objects/objectID?acl – OR – /namespace/pathname?acl
	"Getting Object Info"	/objects/objectid?info – OR – /namespace/pathname/myfile?info

**Table 4** Data Management Operations

HTTP Method	Operation	URI
	“Listing Objects”	/objects
	“Reading an Object”	/objects/objectID – OR – /namespace/pathname
PUT	“Updating an Object”	/objects/objectID – OR – /namespace/pathname
DELETE	“Deleting an Object”	/objects/objectID – OR – /namespace/pathname

**Table 5** Service Operations

HTTP Method	Operation	URI
GET/HEAD	“Getting Service Information”	/rest/service

## Creating an Object

Creates an object with ACL and user metadata if specified in the request. Atmos automatically generates the object's system metadata. It does not validate the user metadata. The response contains the `location` header specifying the newly created object ID returned as a URI.

The “`Content-Length`” header is required or the service returns an error.

To ensure end-to-end protection for objects stored in erasure coded replicas, you can specify the `x-emc-wschecksum` header. When you use this header, you must send the checksum of the entire object that is part of the request. For more information, see [Table 3 on page 31](#).

For the namespace interface, you can also use this operation to create directories:

- ◆ Implicitly — By specifying the full path for an object, and one or more new directories are created automatically as needed, before creating the object itself.
- ◆ Explicitly — By ending the directory name with a forward slash (/). The request body must be empty.

Once an object is created, it can be increased to any size; see [“Updating an Object” on page 94](#).

## Object Interface

### Request

```
POST /rest/objects HTTP/1.1
x-emc-listable-meta: part4/part7/part8=quick
x-emc-meta: part1=buy
accept: */*
x-emc-useracl: john=FULL_CONTROL,mary=READ
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:03:52 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:03:52 GMT
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
host: 168.159.116.96
content-length: 211
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: KpT+3InilW+CS6YwJEAwyWvIlIs=
```

**Response**

```
HTTP/1.1 201 Created
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:03:52 GMT
Server: Apache
location:
/rest/objects/499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560
a4
x-emc-delta: 211
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: default
```

---

## Namespace Interface

Directly under the / directory, you can create only directories, not files.

While creating a file, if you refer to a directory that does not exist, it is created automatically. In the example above, if the photos directory does not exist, it is created for you.

**Request**

```
POST /rest/namespace/photos/mypicture.jpg HTTP/1.1
x-emc-listable-meta: part4/part7/part8=quick
x-emc-meta: part1=buy
accept: */*
x-emc-useracl: john=FULL_CONTROL,mary=READ
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:08:12 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:08:12 GMT
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
host: 168.159.116.96
content-length: 211
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: GTOC1GqFELjMMH9XIKvYRaHdyrk=
```

**Response**

```
HTTP/1.1 201 Created
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:08:12 GMT
Server: Apache
location:
/rest/objects/499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c326c2f9
84
x-emc-delta: 211
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: default
```

**Request with Checksum**

```
POST /rest/namespace/file1.txt HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Thu, 06 May 2010 16:02:25 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
```

```
x-emc-date: Thu, 06 May 2010 16:02:25 GMT
x-emc-uid: f390a44a03bd4a80be49c373c17725f7/user1
x-emc-signature: Or/7Unix65EzA//oBpbSKGWW+4o=
x-emc-wschecksum:
sha0/1037/6754eeaad9d752f079dcb9ab224ab716720b9dda
```

### Response with Checksum

```
HTTP/1.1 201 Created
Date: Thu, 06 May 2010 16:11:00 GMT
Server: Apache
location:
/rest/objects/4be15814a205737304be158919f49104be2ea14d06
a9
x-emc-wschecksum:
sha0/1037/6754eeaad9d752f079dcb9ab224ab716720b9dda
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
```

## Deleting an Object

This operation deletes the object that matches the ObjectID supplied in the URI. The operation also deletes associated metadata.

### Object Interface

#### Request

```
DELETE
/rest/objects/499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499c3e6fbbc
c3 HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:59:41 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:59:41 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: AHnsdoK6vmIEP8mt97O8S8j7TKY=
```

#### Response

```
HTTP/1.1 204 No Content
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:59:41 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-delta: -211
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: default
```

### Namespace Interface

**Note:** A user who has write (execute) permissions to the parent directory can remove an object.

#### Request

```
DELETE /rest/namespace/photos/myoldpicture.jpg HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 17:01:03 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 17:01:03 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: DEIYwSJWGxHD0wuC7xHYen5lDoA=
```

#### Response

```
HTTP/1.1 204 No Content
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 17:01:04 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-delta: -211
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: default
```

## Deleting User Metadata

This operation deletes all user metadata (listable or non-listable) with matching tags from the specified object. Specify the tags of the pairs to be deleted. System metadata can be neither deleted nor modified directly. The request must include the x-emc-tags header, which should be a comma-separated list of tag names to delete; otherwise, the service returns an error.

### Object Interface

#### Request

```
DELETE
/rest/objects/499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560a4?
metadata/user HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 17:02:26 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 17:02:26 GMT
x-emc-tags: part1
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: KVD8OvoNsQb0001rWl64c/Pv5UY=
```

#### Response

```
HTTP/1.1 204 No Content
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 17:02:26 GMT
Server: Apache
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

### Namespace Interface

#### Request

```
DELETE
/rest/namespace/photos/mypicture.jpg?metadata/user
HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 17:02:53 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 17:02:53 GMT
x-emc-tags: part1
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: /5RU66MJp3xGXNeybI8gYoAmXlE=
```

**Response**

```
HTTP/1.1 204 No Content
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 17:02:53 GMT
Server: Apache
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

---

## Getting an ACL

This operation returns the ACL details associated with the specified object ID.

---

### Object Interface

#### Request

```
GET
/rest/objects/499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560
a4?acl HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:33:09 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:33:09 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: s7965CmZ956v9KY8UHmaipS/c/E=
```

#### Response

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:33:09 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
x-emc-useracl: fred=FULL_CONTROL, john=FULL_CONTROL,
mary=READ, user1=FULL_CONTROL
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

---

### Namespace Interface

#### Request

```
GET /rest/namespace/photos/mypicture.jpg?acl HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:33:44 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:33:44 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: 9Yp9xxo8yt2g6QdVE+CQN5NoEow=
```

**Response**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:33:44 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
x-emc-useracl: fred=FULL_CONTROL, john=FULL_CONTROL,
mary=READ, user1=FULL_CONTROL
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

## Getting Listable Tags

Returns all listable tags under the specified input tag.

For example, if an object is indexed by tag1 (tag1 is a listable tag for the object), tag1 is returned by this operation. If no tag is specified, all top-level tags are returned. Unlike all other operations, this operation is executed under the global namespace (not against an object).

If the response includes the x-emc-token header, it means that there might be more tags to retrieve. To request the next set of tags, pass the value of the x-emc-token header in subsequent requests. When the x-emc-token header is not included in the response, it means that you have retrieved the full set of tags.

See the “Request 2” on page 53 for an example.

### Object Interface

#### Request 1

```
GET /rest/objects?listabletags HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:35:01 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:35:01 GMT
x-emc-tags: part4
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: 1OoKOJo9xoheuY1TFhp0xOHlPkS=
```

#### Response 1

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:35:01 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-listable-tags: part7, part9
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

#### Request 2

The following example shows how to use the x-emc-token header. The request asks for all of the sub-tags under the pictures/vacation tag.

```
GET /rest/objects?listabletags HTTP/1.1
date: Fri, 16 Apr 2010 17:15:19 GMT
x-emc-date: Fri, 16 Apr 2010 17:15:19 GMT
x-emc-tags: pictures/vacation
x-emc-uid: f6639b0790634733bdf56e1223908224/user1
```

```
x-emc-signature: MSe0cmDQzcJkQIc/iy7NQXmndN0=
```

**Response 2** This response includes the `x-emc-token` header to indicate there are more results.

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Fri, 16 Apr 2010 17:15:19 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-policy: _int
x-emc-token:
4bb5fa58a1a8482004bb5faf0d12f804bc89a4c5ddb7
x-emc-listable-tags: boston, newyork, chicago, miami,
losangeles, sandiego, sanfrancisco, paris, london, rome
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
```

To continue retrieving the tags under `pictures/vacation`, include the `x-emc-token` in the subsequent request.

**Request 2a** This requests the next set of tags under `pictures/vacation`. It includes the `x-emc-token` with a value of `4bb5fa58a1a8482004bb5faf0d12f804bc89a4c5ddb7` from the previous response.

```
GET /rest/objects?listabletags HTTP/1.1
x-emc-token:
4bb5fa58a1a8482004bb5faf0d12f804bc89a4c5ddb7
date: Fri, 16 Apr 2010 17:15:29 GMT
x-emc-date: Fri, 16 Apr 2010 17:15:29 GMT
x-emc-tags: pictures/vacation
x-emc-uid: f6639b0790634733bdf56e1223908224/user1
x-emc-signature: U8/d6IWL2fa/gfsWPXXSHdM06GM=
```

**Response 2a** This response returns the next set of tags. It is also the final set of tags as indicated by the absence of the `x-emc-token` header in the response.

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Fri, 16 Apr 2010 17:15:29 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-policy: _int
x-emc-listable-tags: sydney, athens, barcelona, milan,
madrid
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
```

---

## Namespace Interface

**Request**

```
GET /rest/namespace?listabletags
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:35:01 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:35:01 GMT
x-emc-tags: part4
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: 1OoK0Jo9xoheuY1TFhp0xOHlPks=
```

**Response**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:35:01 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-listable-tags: part7, part9
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

---

## Getting Object Info

This operations returns details about the replicas for an object. Performing this operation on a directory returns error code 1022 because directory's do not have storage.

---

### Object Interface

**Request**

```
GET
/rest/objects/4b00fffea12059c104b00ffca1f8e804b040c4d911
c9?info HTTP/1.1
> Host: 10.32.89.193
> accept: */*
> date: Fri, 20 Nov 2009 05:47:29 GMT
> content-type: application/octet-stream
> x-emc-date: Fri, 20 Nov 2009 05:47:29 GMT
> x-emc-uid: e103f726a87d45abbd8d5f189a8cecfcaaaa
> x-emc-signature: u/kFWYGR2Uf1/xpIikY/nBAeFXg=
```

**Response**

```
< HTTP/1.1 200 OK
< Date: Fri, 20 Nov 2009 05:47:29 GMT
< Server: Apache
< x-emc-policy: _int
< Content-Length: 723
< Connection: close
< Content-Type: text/xml
```

**Response Body**

```
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<GetObjectInfoResponse xmlns='http://www.emc.com/cos/'>

<objectId>4b00fffea12059c104b00ffca1f8e804b040c4d911c9</
objectId>
  <selection></selection>
  <numReplicas>2</numReplicas>
  <replicas>
    <replica>
      <id>3</id>
      <type>sync</type>
      <current>true</current>
      <location>Boston</location>
      <storageType>Normal</storageType>
    </replica>
    <replica>
      <id>5</id>
      <type>sync</type>
      <current>true</current>
      <location>Boston</location>
      <storageType>Normal</storageType>
    </replica>
  </replicas>
  <retention>
    <enabled>>false</enabled>
    <endAt></endAt>
  </retention>
  <expiration>
    <enabled>>false</enabled>
    <endAt></endAt>
  </expiration>
</GetObjectInfoResponse>
```

**Namespace  
Interface****Request**

```
GET /rest/namespace/photos/mypicture.jpg?info HTTP/1.1
accept: */
date: Thu, 07 Jan 2010 15:33:00 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Thu, 07 Jan 2010 15:33:00 GMT
x-emc-uid: e2f3a3f5e3aa4a2d91f532415405d6d3/user1
x-emc-signature: HMcVH8Sf7ciX8qhRPjiSknC0doE=
```

**Response**

```

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Thu, 07 Jan 2010 15:33:00 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-policy: _int
Content-Length: 729
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/xml
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<GetObjectInfoResponse xmlns='http://www.emc.com/cos/'>

<objectId>4b4502a5a2a8482004b4503232663404b45fe98a5ec1</
objectId>
  <selection>geographic</selection>
  <numReplicas>2</numReplicas>
  <replicas>
    <replica>
      <id>3</id>
      <type>sync</type>
      <current>true</current>
      <location>cambridge</location>
      <storageType>Normal</storageType>
    </replica>
    <replica>
      <id>5</id>
      <type>sync</type>
      <current>true</current>
      <location>cambridge</location>
      <storageType>Normal</storageType>
    </replica>
  </replicas>
  <retention>
    <enabled>>false</enabled>
    <endAt></endAt>
  </retention>
  <expiration>
    <enabled>>false</enabled>
    <endAt></endAt>
  </expiration>
</GetObjectInfoResponse>

```

**Table 6** Response XML Elements

XML Element	Description
objectId	String. The object's unique identifier.
selection	String. The replica selection for read access. Values can be geographic or random.
numReplicas	Integer. The total number of replicas for this object.

Table 6 Response XML Elements

XML Element	Description
Replicas	Container for set of replica definitions.
Replica	Container for a replica instance.
replica ID	String. The unique identifier for the replica instance.
type	String. The replica type. Values can be sync or async.
current	Boolean. True if the replica is current, or False if the replica is not current.
location	String. The replica location.
storage type	String. The replica's storage type. Values can be stripe, normal, cloud, compression, ErasureCode, and dedup.
retention	Container element for retention values.
enabled	A Boolean value (true/false) that defines whether retention is enabled for the replica.
endAt	When enabled is true, specifies the dateTime when the data retention period expires. When enabled is false, this element is empty. dateTime has this format: YYYY— year MM—month DD — day hh — hour mm — minute ss — second

**Table 6**      **Response XML Elements**

<b>XML Element</b>	<b>Description</b>
expiration	Container element for expiration values.
enabled	A Boolean value that specifies if expiration is enabled (true) or not (false)
endAt	When enabled is true, specifies the dateTime at when the deletion expiration ends. When enabled is false, this element is empty. dateTime has this format: YYYY— year MM—month DD — day hh — hour mm — minute ss — second

## Getting Service Information

This operation returns information about the Atmos service; currently, the version of Atmos software in use. The Atmos version is in the following form:

*major.minor.patch*

For example:

1.2.4

### Request

```
GET /rest/service HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 01 Jul 2009 16:18:16 GMT
x-emc-date: Wed, 01 Jul 2009 16:18:16 GMT
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: RhsBAyHYFYiBj46KSFntrSgkHcs=
```

### Response

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 01 Jul 2009 16:18:16 GMT
Server: Apache
Content-Length: 138
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/xml
```

```
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<Service xmlns='http://www.emc.com/cos/'>
  <Version>
    <Atmos>1.2.4</Atmos>
  </Version>
</Service>
```

### Response schema

```
<xsd:complexType name="Version">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="Atmos" type="xsd:string"
minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
<xsd:element name="Service">
  <xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="Version" type="tns:Version"
minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>
```

## Getting System Metadata

Returns the system metadata for the object.

To return all system metadata, do not specify the x-emc-tags header.

To limit the set of metadata to be returned, specify the tag names as comma-separated entries for the x-emc-tags header.

For a list of the system metadata tags, see [“System Metadata” on page 13](#).

### Object Interface

In the following example, the x-emc-tags header is omitted, so all system-metadata pairs are returned (in the x-emc-meta header). In the response, objname is blank because this object does not have a name.

#### Request 1

```
GET
/rest/objects/499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560a4
?metadata/system HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:36:18 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:36:18 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: 2FqzIv1zmGahV6/4KUWzBANkrFc=
```

#### Response 1

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:36:18 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-meta: atime=2009-02-18T16:27:24Z,
mtime=2009-02-18T16:03:52Z, ctime=2009-02-18T16:27:24Z,
itime=2009-02-18T16:03:52Z, type=regular, uid=user1,
gid=apache,
objectid=499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560a4,
objname=, size=211, nlink=0, policyname=default
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

In the following example, the x-emc-tags header is used to specify two specify tags, so only those system-metadata pairs are returned.

**Request 2**

```
GET
/rest/objects/499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560a4
?metadata/system HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:36:18 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:36:18 GMT
x-emc-tags: atime,uid
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: 2FqzIvlzmGahV6/4KUWzBANKrFc=
```

**Response 2**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:36:18 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-meta: atime=2009-02-18T16:27:24Z, uid=user1
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

---

## Namespace Interface

**Request**

```
GET /rest/namespace/dir561/file14.txt?metadata/system
HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Mon, 05 Jul 2010 19:51:30 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Mon, 05 Jul 2010 19:51:30 GMT
host: 168.159.116.112:2345
x-emc-uid: ebd858f829114dfabbcf069637a07cfe/user1
x-emc-signature: vMyNLeg/ja208OwCPYlwjMt/MW4=
```

**Response**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Mon, 05 Jul 2010 19:51:30 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-policy: _int
x-emc-meta: atime=2010-07-05T19:51:19Z,
mtime=2010-07-05T19:51:19Z, ctime=2010-07-05T19:51:19Z,
itime=2010-07-05T19:51:19Z, type=regular, uid=user1,
gid=apache,
objectid=4bf520e2a105737304bf52170a4e6204c3237b7c1b16,
objname=test14.txt4, size=1037, nlink=1,
policyname=default
x-emc-wschecksum:
sha0/1037/87hn7kkdd9d982f031qwe9ab224abjd6h1276nj9
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
```

## Getting User Metadata

This operation returns the metadata associated with the specified object, as a comma-separated list of name-value pairs. Specify the tags of the pairs to be returned as comma-separated tag names. To get all pairs, omit the tag names. Regular (non-listable) metadata is returned using the `x-emc-meta` header; listable metadata, the `x-emc-listable-meta` header.

### Object Interface

#### Request

```
GET
/rest/objects/499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560a
4?metadata/user HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:38:06 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:38:06 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: hXmB2b/zdW3tp7qCbSM+SQRMaM4=
```

#### Response

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:38:06 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-listable-meta: part4/part7/part8=quick, part3=fast
x-emc-meta: part1=order
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

### Namespace Interface

#### Request

```
GET /rest/namespace/photos/mypicture.jpg?metadata/user
HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:38:14 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:38:14 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96:8080
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: jhqNQwPrKjc9RpjKmops3fKw+l8=
```

**Response**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:38:14 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-listable-meta: part4/part7/part8=quick, part3=fast
x-emc-meta: part1=order
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

---

## Listing Objects

This operation retrieves all object IDs indexed by a given tag. To specify the tag, use the `x-emc-tags` header; only one tag name/hierarchy may be included. Listable tags are created in a user's own namespace; hence, they are private to that user. Only objects belonging to the requesting UID are returned.

---

### Object Interface—without Metadata

**Request** The `x-emc-include-meta` header, set to 0, indicates that only object IDs should be returned.

```
GET /rest/objects HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:39:49 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:39:49 GMT
x-emc-tags: part4/part7/part8
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: Z1lFtIyYe6kvqibS9eqcIBpiQ7I=
x-emc-include-meta: 0
```

**Response** The response contains an XML payload listing the object IDs for this user. Object IDs are 44 characters long, and there is no limit to how many objects you can store; therefore, it is possible to reach the limit for data in the HTTP header. As a result, the Web service returns the object IDs from a list-objects operation into the XML body, not the header.

```

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:39:49 GMT
Server: Apache
Content-Length: 359
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/xml
x-emc-policy: _int

<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<ListObjectsResponse xmlns='http://www.emc.com/cos/'>
  <Object>

<ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499b44f51e97d</
ObjectID>
  </Object>
  <Object>

<ObjectID>499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499b44f5aff04</
ObjectID>
  </Object>
  <Object>

<ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499b44f779a54</
ObjectID>
  </Object>
</ListObjectsResponse>

```

---

## Object Interface—without Metadata and Using the x-emc-limit Header

In this example, the user requests up to 50 objects. The first request does not include an x-emc-token identifier, so data retrieval starts with the first object available. In the first response, objects 1-50 are returned, along with an x-emc-token identifier. That identifier is specified in the second request, as the starting point for data retrieval. In the second response, objects 51-100 are returned, along with another x-emc-token identifier. That second identifier is specified in the third request, as the starting point for data retrieval. In the third response, the final 25 objects are returned. This final response does not include an x-emc-token identifier, because there are no more objects to be retrieved.

**Request 1**

```
GET /rest/objects HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
x-emc-limit: 50
date: Fri, 15 May 2009 14:50:13 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Fri, 15 May 2009 14:50:13 GMT
x-emc-tags: part1
host: 127.0.0.1
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: v+OUztaBdCqIPO/0p/FyXnosHXc=
x-emc-include-meta: 0
```

**Response 1**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Fri, 15 May 2009 14:50:13 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-token:
4a0d6e22a2a8482004a0d6ecd85daf04a0d733b28892
Content-Length: 332
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/xml
x-emc-policy: _int

<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<ListObjectsResponse xmlns='http://www.emc.com/cos/'>
  <Object>

  <ObjectID>4a0d6e22a1a8482004a0d6ecd1247804a0d7337c89fd</
ObjectID>
  </Object>
  <Object>

  <ObjectID>4a0d6e22a2a8482004a0d6ecd85daf04a0d733902a93</
ObjectID>
  </Object>
  ...
  <Object>
    <ObjectID>n</ObjectID>
  </Object>
</ListObjectsResponse>
```

**Request 2**

```
GET /rest/objects HTTP/1.1
x-emc-token:
4a0d6e22a2a8482004a0d6ecd85daf04a0d733b28892
accept: */*
x-emc-limit: 50
date: Fri, 15 May 2009 14:50:39 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Fri, 15 May 2009 14:50:39 GMT
x-emc-tags: part1
host: 127.0.0.1
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: ozaUkr9upED4iktYlu6KQWgH+v0=
x-emc-include-meta: 0
```

**Response 2**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Fri, 15 May 2009 14:50:39 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-token:
4a0d6e22a2a8482004a0d6ecd85daf04a0d733df3eea
Content-Length: 332
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/xml
x-emc-policy: _int

<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<ListObjectsResponse xmlns='http://www.emc.com/cos/'>
  <Object>

<ObjectID>4a0d6e22a2a8482004a0d6ecd85daf04a0d733b28892</
ObjectID>
  </Object>
  <Object>

<ObjectID>4a0d6e22a1a8482004a0d6ecd1247804a0d733c19b14</
ObjectID>
  </Object>
  ...
  <Object>
    <ObjectID>n</ObjectID>
  </Object>
</ListObjectsResponse>
```

**Request 3**

```
GET /rest/objects HTTP/1.1
x-emc-token:
4a0d6e22a2a8482004a0d6ecd85daf04a0d733df3eea
accept: */*
x-emc-limit: 50
date: Fri, 15 May 2009 14:50:56 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Fri, 15 May 2009 14:50:56 GMT
x-emc-tags: part1
host: 127.0.0.1
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: 12i2hiJdtosuJsNei2y6BtWN+t4=
x-emc-include-meta: 0
```

**Response 3**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Fri, 15 May 2009 14:50:56 GMT
Server: Apache
Content-Length: 332
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/xml
x-emc-policy: _int

<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<ListObjectsResponse xmlns='http://www.emc.com/cos/'>
  <Object>

  <ObjectID>4a0d6e22a2a8482004a0d6ecd85daf04a0d733df3eea</
ObjectID>
  </Object>
  <Object>

  <ObjectID>4a0d6e22a2a8482004a0d6ecd85daf04a0d733eb2d85</
ObjectID>
  </Object>
  ...
  <Object>
    <ObjectID>n</ObjectID>
  </Object>
</ListObjectsResponse>
```

---

## Object Interface—with All Metadata

**Request**

The `x-emc-include-meta` header, set to 1, indicates that an object list should be returned with *all* system and user metadata for each object.

```

GET /rest/objects HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:41:02 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:41:02 GMT
x-emc-tags: part4/part7/part8
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: hEf+WgX/0HLo6zoQKalo6sB/kt0=
x-emc-include-meta: 1

```

**Response**

```

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:41:02 GMT
Server: Apache
Connection: close
Transfer-Encoding: chunked
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int

<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<ListObjectsResponse xmlns='http://www.emc.com/cos/'>
  <Object>

<ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499b44f51e97d</ObjectID>
  <SystemMetadataList>
    <Metadata>
      <Name>atime</Name>
      <Value>2009-02-17T23:15:01Z</Value>
    </Metadata>
    <Metadata>
      <Name>mtime</Name>
      <Value>2009-02-17T23:15:01Z</Value>
    </Metadata>
    <Metadata>
      <Name>ctime</Name>
      <Value>2009-02-17T23:15:01Z</Value>
    </Metadata>
    <Metadata>
      <Name>itime</Name>
      <Value>2009-02-17T23:15:01Z</Value>
    </Metadata>
    <Metadata>
      <Name>type</Name>

```

```

        <Value>regular</Value>
    </Metadata>
    <Metadata>
        <Name>uid</Name>
        <Value>user1</Value>
    </Metadata>
    <Metadata>
        <Name>gid</Name>
        <Value>apache</Value>
    </Metadata>
    <Metadata>
        <Name>objectid</Name>
        <Value>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499b44f51e97d</Value>
    </Metadata>
    <Metadata>
        <Name>objname</Name>
        <Value></Value>
    </Metadata>
    <Metadata>
        <Name>size</Name>
        <Value>7589</Value>
    </Metadata>
    <Metadata>
        <Name>nlink</Name>
        <Value>0</Value>
    </Metadata>
    <Metadata>
        <Name>policyname</Name>
        <Value>default</Value>
    </Metadata>
</SystemMetadataList>
<UserMetadataList>
    <Metadata>
        <Name>part1</Name>
        <Value>order</Value>
        <Listable>false</Listable>
    </Metadata>
    <Metadata>
        <Name>part4/part7/part8</Name>
        <Value>quick</Value>
        <Listable>true</Listable>
    </Metadata>
</UserMetadataList>
</Object>
...
</ListObjectsResponse>

```

## Object Interface—with Selected Metadata

Instead of getting all system and user metadata key/values for each object, you can specify selected ones you to retrieve. To do this, use the `x-emc-system-tags` and `x-emc-user-tags` headers.

### Request

```
GET /rest/objects HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:41:02 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:41:02 GMT
x-emc-tags: part4/part7/part8
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: hEf+WgX/0HLo6zoQKalo6sB/kt0=
x-emc-system-tags: atime,size
x-emc-user-tags: city
```

### Response

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:41:02 GMT
Server: Apache
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int

<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<ListObjectsResponse xmlns='http://www.emc.com/cos/'>
  <Object>

<ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499b44f51e97d</
ObjectID>
  <SystemMetadataList>
    <Metadata>
      <Name>atime</Name>
      <Value>2009-02-17T23:15:01Z</Value>
    </Metadata>
    <Metadata>
      <Name>size</Name>
      <Value>1234</Value>
    </Metadata>
  </SystemMetadataList>
  <UserMetadataList>
    <Metadata>
      <Name>city</Name>
      <Value>boston</Value>
      <Listable>>false</Listable>
    </Metadata>
  </UserMetadataList>
</Object>
</ListObjectsResponse>
```

## Listing User Metadata Tags

This operation returns the user-defined metadata tags assigned to the object. Regular metadata is returned using the x-emc-tags header, and listable metadata is returned using the x-emc-listable-tags header.

### Object Interface

#### Request

```
GET
/rest/objects/499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560a
4?metadata/tags HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:45:53 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:45:53 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: 2r9FsrSP4UaXTyrTDjhvjQzFJzs=t
```

#### Response

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:45:53 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-tags: part1
x-emc-listable-tags: part3, part4/part7/part8
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

### Namespace Interface

#### Request

```
GET /rest/namespace/photos/mypicture.jpg?metadata/tags
HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:46:33 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:46:33 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: sbifTscR4YrTlkiQQVUSTc/lsHc=
```

**Response**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:46:33 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-tags: part1
x-emc-listable-tags: part3, part4/part7/part8
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

## Reading an Object

Returns the contents of the specified object, along with the associated user metadata, system metadata, and access-control list.

**Note:** You can use this operation to list the contents of a directory (which is a read of the directory object).

Use the optional Range header (see [Chapter 2, “Common REST Headers”](#)) to read only part of the object. The value of the Range header should be the byte ranges to retrieve, in the form Bytes=begin\_offset-end\_offset. The byte offsets are 0 based: 0 is the first byte, 1 is the second byte, and so on.

If the object was created with a checksum, the x-emc-wschecksum header is returned in the response.

### Object Interface

#### Request 1

```
GET
/rest/objects/499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560
a4 HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:49:10 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:49:10 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: MwY3VpEBPkwx7/18CFmKQ/iYqA=
```

#### Response 1

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:49:10 GMT
Server: Apache
Content-Length: 211
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
x-emc-useracl: fred=FULL_CONTROL, john=FULL_CONTROL,
mary=READ, user1=FULL_CONTROL
x-emc-listable-meta: part4/part7/part8=quick, part3=fast
x-emc-meta: part1=order, atime=2009-02-18T16:27:24Z,
mtime=2009-02-18T16:03:52Z, ctime=2009-02-18T16:27:24Z,
itime=2009-02-18T16:03:52Z, type=regular, uid=user1,
gid=apache,
objectid=499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560a4,
objname=, size=211, nlink=0, policyname=default
Connection: close
Content-Type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-policy: default
```

**Request 2** This request is for a directory that contains one file and one subdirectory.

```
GET
/rest/objects/49a2b73da2a8bc20049a2b79d84405049a316695b3
11 HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Tue, 24 Feb 2009 16:15:50 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Tue, 24 Feb 2009 16:15:50 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96:8080
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: p00WEqTr2oUUz3xdzCbjoQk8+mE=
```

**Response 2**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Tue, 24 Feb 2009 16:15:50 GMT
Server: Apache
Content-Length: 505
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
x-emc-useracl: user1=FULL_CONTROL
x-emc-meta: atime=2009-02-23T21:34:33Z,
mtime=2009-02-23T21:34:33Z, ctime=2009-02-23T21:34:33Z,
itime=2009-02-23T21:34:33Z, type=directory, uid=user1,
gid=apache,
objectid=49a2b73da2a8bc20049a2b79d84405049a316695b311,
objname=mydirectory, size=4096, nlink=1,
policyname=default
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/xml
x-emc-policy: default

<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<ListDirectoryResponse xmlns='http://www.emc.com/cos/'>
  <DirectoryList>
    <DirectoryEntry>
      <ObjectID>49a2b73da2a8bc20049a2b79d84405049a41b41ee06a</
ObjectID>
      <FileType>directory</FileType>
      <Filename>mysubdirectory</Filename>
    </DirectoryEntry>
    <DirectoryEntry>
      <ObjectID>49a2b73da2a8bc20049a2b79d84405049a41b5091679</
ObjectID>
      <FileType>regular</FileType>
      <Filename>myfile.txt</Filename>
    </DirectoryEntry>
  </DirectoryList>
</ListDirectoryResponse>
```

---

## Object Interface—With Range Header

In this section, we use an example object that is 50 bytes long and has the following body:

```
the quick brown fox jumps right over the lazy dog
```

For brevity, all headers *not* dealing directly with ranges were removed.

Example 1 requests the entire object

### Request 1

```
GET
/rest/objects/4acbb971a1a8482004acbb9f355e3a04acf7e8ee8d
b1 HTTP/1.1
```

### Response 1

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Content-Length: 50
```

```
the quick brown fox jumps right over the lazy dog
```

Example 2 requests bytes 4-8.

### Request 2

```
GET
/rest/objects/4acbb971a1a8482004acbb9f355e3a04acf7e8ee8d
b1 HTTP/1.1
range: Bytes=4-8
```

### Response 2

```
HTTP/1.1 206 Partial Content
Content-Range: bytes 4-8/50
Content-Length: 5
```

```
quick
```

Example 3 requests bytes 4-8 and 41-44.

### Request 3

```
GET
/rest/objects/4acbb971a1a8482004acbb9f355e3a04acf7e8ee8d
b1 HTTP/1.1
range: Bytes=4-8,41-44
```

- Response 3** HTTP/1.1 206 Partial Content  
 Content-Length: 230  
 Content-Type: multipart/byteranges;  
 boundary=bound04acf7f0ae3ccc
- bound04acf7f0ae3ccc  
 Content-Type: application/octet-stream  
 Content-Range: bytes 4-8/50
- quick  
 --bound04acf7f0ae3ccc  
 Content-Type: application/octet-stream  
 Content-Range: bytes 41-44/50
- lazy  
 --bound04acf7f0ae3ccc--  
 Example 4 requests from byte 32 until the end of the object.
- Request 4** GET  
 /rest/objects/4acbb971a1a8482004acbb9f355e3a04acf7e8ee8d  
 b1 HTTP/1.1  
 range: Bytes=32-
- Response 4** HTTP/1.1 206 Partial Content  
 Content-Range: bytes 32-49/50  
 Content-Length: 18
- over the lazy dog  
 Example 5 requests the last 9 bytes.
- Request 5** GET  
 /rest/objects/4acbb971a1a8482004acbb9f355e3a04acf7e8ee8d  
 b1 HTTP/1.1  
 range: Bytes=-9
- Response 5** HTTP/1.1 206 Partial Content  
 Content-Range: bytes 41-49/50  
 Content-Length: 9
- lazy dog
- Example 6 requests bytes 4-8, from bytes 32 until the end of the object, and the last 9 bytes.
- Request 6** GET  
 /rest/objects/4acbb971a1a8482004acbb9f355e3a04acf7e8ee8d  
 b1 HTTP/1.1  
 range: Bytes=4-8,32-,-9

**Response 6**

```

HTTP/1.1 206 Partial Content
Content-Length: 351
Content-Type: multipart/byteranges;
boundary=bound04acf7f8a23b49

--bound04acf7f8a23b49
Content-Type: application/octet-stream
Content-Range: bytes 4-8/50

quick
--bound04acf7f8a23b49
Content-Type: application/octet-stream
Content-Range: bytes 32-49/50

over the lazy dog

--bound04acf7f8a23b49
Content-Type: application/octet-stream
Content-Range: bytes 41-49/50

lazy dog

--bound04acf7f8a23b49--

```

Example 7 requests a range that is valid but not satisfiable.

**Request 7**

```

GET
/rest/objects/4acbb971a1a8482004acbb9f355e3a04acf7e8ee8d
b1 HTTP/1.1
range: Bytes=1000-

```

**Response 7**

```

HTTP/1.1 416 Requested Range Not Satisfiable
Content-Length: 136
Content-Range: bytes */50
Content-Type: text/xml

<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<Error>
  <Code>1004</Code>
  <Message>The specified range cannot be
satisfied.</Message>
</Error>

```

Example 8 requests one range that is not satisfiable and one range that is satisfiable.

**Request 8**

```

GET
/rest/objects/4acbb971a1a8482004acbb9f355e3a04acf7e8ee8d
b1 HTTP/1.1
range: Bytes=1000-,4-8

```

**Response 8** HTTP/1.1 206 Partial Content  
Content-Range: bytes 4-8/50  
Content-Length: 5

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Example 9 requests an invalid byte range. The entire object is returned.

**Request 9** GET  
/rest/objects/4acbb971a1a8482004acbb9f355e3a04acf7e8ee8d  
b1 HTTP/1.1  
range: Bytes=a-100

**Response 9** HTTP/1.1 200 OK  
Content-Length: 50

the quick brown fox jumps right over the lazy dog

---

## Namespace Interface

**Request 1** GET /rest/namespace/photos/mypicture.jpg HTTP/1.1  
accept: \*/\*  
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:52:05 GMT  
content-type: application/octet-stream  
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:52:05 GMT  
host: 168.159.116.96  
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1  
x-emc-signature: LYcvpkX1jpdguTf2VpO5Dkt4TM=

**Response 1** HTTP/1.1 200 OK  
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:52:05 GMT  
Server: Apache  
Content-Length: 211  
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE  
x-emc-useracl: fred=FULL\_CONTROL, john=FULL\_CONTROL,  
mary=READ, user1=FULL\_CONTROL  
x-emc-listable-meta: part4/part7/part8=quick, part3=fast  
x-emc-meta: part1=order, atime=2009-02-18T16:28:03Z,  
mtime=2009-02-18T16:08:12Z, ctime=2009-02-18T16:28:03Z,  
itime=2009-02-18T16:08:12Z, type=regular, uid=user1,  
gid=apache,  
objectid=499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c326c2f984,  
objname=mypicture.jpg, size=211, nlink=1,  
policyname=default  
Connection: close  
Content-Type: application/octet-stream  
x-emc-policy: default

**Request 2** This request is for a directory that contains one file and one subdirectory.

```
GET /rest/namespace/photos/mydirectory HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Tue, 24 Feb 2009 16:16:17 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Tue, 24 Feb 2009 16:16:17 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96:8080
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: FcGSy/D7jyjyifx2U/1yrO9Vfd8=
```

**Response 2**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Tue, 24 Feb 2009 16:16:17 GMT
Server: Apache
Content-Length: 505
x-emc-groupacl: other=
x-emc-useracl: user1=FULL_CONTROL
x-emc-meta: atime=2009-02-23T21:34:33Z,
mtime=2009-02-23T21:34:33Z, ctime=2009-02-23T21:34:33Z,
itime=2009-02-23T21:34:33Z, type=directory, uid=user1,
gid=apache,
objectid=49a2b73da2a8bc20049a2b79d84405049a316695b311,
objname=mydirectory, size=4096, nlink=1,
policyname=default
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/xml
x-emc-policy: default

<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<ListDirectoryResponse xmlns='http://www.emc.com/cos/'>
  <DirectoryList>
    <DirectoryEntry>

<ObjectID>49a2b73da2a8bc20049a2b79d84405049a41b41ee06a</
ObjectID>
    <FileType>directory</FileType>
    <Filename>mysubdirectory</Filename>
  </DirectoryEntry>
  <DirectoryEntry>

<ObjectID>49a2b73da2a8bc20049a2b79d84405049a41b5091679</
ObjectID>
    <FileType>regular</FileType>
    <Filename>myfile.txt</Filename>
  </DirectoryEntry>
  </DirectoryList>
</ListDirectoryResponse>
```

**Request 3** This example shows the read object operation for a directory. It uses `x-emc-limit` to request that up to two entries be returned. When listing a directory using `ReadObject` or when using `ListObjects`, the `x-emc-token` header may be returned in the response headers at any time.

If this header exists, it means that a partial list of results was returned, and that you must use pagination to retrieve the full list of results as shown in Request 4.

```
GET /rest/namespace/testdirectory/ HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
x-emc-limit: 2
date: Mon, 15 Mar 2010 19:27:48 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Mon, 15 Mar 2010 19:27:48 GMT
host: 168.159.116.116:8080
x-emc-uid: 1fd94b5d1a30483b818e4926c6edbb81/test1
x-emc-signature: ydK9cONyE4JSfBxl/HMaXIrrBkk=
```

**Response 3**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Mon, 15 Mar 2010 19:27:48 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
x-emc-useracl: test1=FULL_CONTROL
x-emc-policy: _int
x-emc-meta: atime=2010-03-15T17:23:56Z,
mtime=2010-03-15T17:24:36Z, ctime=2010-03-15T17:24:36Z,
itime=2010-03-15T17:23:56Z, type=directory, uid=test1,
gid=apache,
objectid=4b97cdfca2068f2c04b97ce826fb9504b9e6d2c4c859,
objname=testdirectory, size=4096, nlink=1,
policyname=default
x-emc-token: file3
Content-Length: 489
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/xml
```

```

<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<ListDirectoryResponse xmlns='http://www.emc.com/cos/'>
  <DirectoryList>
    <DirectoryEntry>

<ObjectID>4b97cdfca2068f2c04b97ce826fb9504b9e6d40a1270</
ObjectID>
  <FileType>regular</FileType>
  <Filename>file1</Filename>
</DirectoryEntry>
<DirectoryEntry>

<ObjectID>4b97cdfca2068f2c04b97ce826fb9504b9e6d41d0308</
ObjectID>
  <FileType>regular</FileType>
  <Filename>file2</Filename>
</DirectoryEntry>
</DirectoryList>
</ListDirectoryResponse>

```

To get the next set of results (next page) you may invoke the operation again, providing the value of `x-emc-token` of the response in the subsequent request. This example uses the token that was returned from the previous call:

**Request 4**

```

GET /rest/namespace/testdirectory/ HTTP/1.1
x-emc-token: file3
accept: */*
x-emc-limit: 2
date: Mon, 15 Mar 2010 19:35:45 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Mon, 15 Mar 2010 19:35:45 GMT
host: 168.159.116.116:8080
x-emc-uid: 1fd94b5d1a30483b818e4926c6edbb81/test1
x-emc-signature: Ng5fqKtkz15Ho0o4t2PUeq+CCYM=

```

**Response 4**

```

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Mon, 15 Mar 2010 19:35:49 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
x-emc-useracl: test1=FULL_CONTROL
x-emc-policy: _int
x-emc-meta: atime=2010-03-15T17:23:56Z,
mtime=2010-03-15T17:24:36Z, ctime=2010-03-15T17:24:36Z,
itime=2010-03-15T17:23:56Z, type=directory, uid=test1,
gid=apache,
objectid=4b97cdfca2068f2c04b97ce826fb9504b9e6d2c4c859,
objname=testdirectory, size=4096, nlink=1,
policyname=default
Content-Length: 489
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/xml
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<ListDirectoryResponse xmlns='http://www.emc.com/cos/'>
  <DirectoryList>
    <DirectoryEntry>

<ObjectID>4b97cdfca2068f2c04b97ce826fb9504b9e6d436bd68</
ObjectID>
    <FileType>regular</FileType>
    <Filename>file3</Filename>
  </DirectoryEntry>
  <DirectoryEntry>

<ObjectID>4b97cdfca2068f2c04b97ce826fb9504b9e6d48c1d26</
ObjectID>
    <FileType>regular</FileType>
    <Filename>file4</Filename>
  </DirectoryEntry>
</DirectoryList>
</ListDirectoryResponse>

```

**Request for object with checksum**

```

GET /rest/namespace/file1.txt HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
date: Fri, 11 Jun 2010 11:14:44 GMT
x-emc-date: Fri, 11 Jun 2010 11:14:44 GMT
host: 168.159.116.112:2345
x-emc-uid: ebd858f829114dfabbcf069637a07cfe/user1
x-emc-signature: QxCk89s7TvWsoPptteVEAXPO8KM=

```

**Response for object with checksum**

```

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Thu, 17 Jun 2010 12:40:53 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-policy: default

```

```
x-emc-meta: atime=2010-06-11T11:16:44Z,  
mtime=2010-06-11T11:16:44Z, ctime=2010-06-11T11:16:44Z,  
itime=2010-06-11T11:16:44Z, type=regular, uid=user1,  
gid=apache,  
objectid=4bf520e2a105737304bf52170a4e6204c121b1ca464d,  
size=1037, nlink=0  
x-emc-useracl: user1=FULL_CONTROL  
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE  
x-emc-wschecksum:  
sha0/1037/87hn7kkdd9d982f031qwe9ab224abjd6h1276nj9  
Content-Length: 1037  
Connection: close  
Content-Type: application/octet-stream
```

## Renaming a File or Directory in the Namespace

Renames a file or a directory within its current namespace. Requires the “x-emc-path” custom header to provide the full path to the new file or directory name.

Use the optional “x-emc-force” header to specify whether the operation should overwrite the target file or directory if it already exists. To overwrite the target file or directory (if it already exists), set “x-emc-force” to true. If “x-emc-force” is not specified or set to false, the target file will not be overwritten and the rename operation will fail. A directory must be empty to be overwritten.

This operation is not supported in the object interface. It returns an error code 1042 if attempted.

**Note:** To rename a file or directory the user must have write (execute) permissions to the parent directory.

### Namespace Interface

**Request 1** The following example shows how to rename a file called custnames (located in the /dir directory of the namespace) to custinfo.

```
POST /rest/namespace/dir/custnames?rename HTTP/1.1
date: Wed, 06 Jan 2010 16:12:09 GMT
x-emc-date: Wed, 06 Jan 2010 16:12:09 GMT
x-emc-path: dir/custinfo
x-emc-force: true
x-emc-uid: 47cadb22de2e46328e49bafc02f64637/user1
x-emc-signature: snxbvMmc4vyCm/b+XsDje30coSs=
```

**Response 1**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 06 Jan 2010 16:12:09 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-policy: _int
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
```

**Request 2** This operation requests a rename from myDir/myfile.txt to myNewDir/newName.txt, but the x-emc-force header is set to false and the operation fails.

```
POST /rest/namespace/myDir/myfile.txt?rename HTTP/1.1
```

```

accept: */*
date: Thu, 29 Jul 2010 19:17:01 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Thu, 29 Jul 2010 19:17:00 GMT
x-emc-path: myNewDir/newName.txt
host: 168.159.116.112:1234
x-emc-uid: 624a29f7a544467dabaf791f6daf6939/user1
x-emc-signature: go08bLAGmT3dP8t1U/tG9fEFW00=
x-emc-force: false

```

**Response 2**

```

HTTP/1.1 400 Bad Request
Date: Thu, 29 Jul 2010 19:17:01 GMT
Server: Apache
Content-Length: 149
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/xml

```

```

<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<Error>
  <Code>1016</Code>
  <Message>The resource you are trying to create already
    exists.</Message>
</Error>

```

**Request 3**

The following example shows how to rename a directory called samples to examples:

```

POST /rest/namespace/samples?rename HTTP/1.1
date: Wed, 06 Jan 2010 16:17:51 GMT
x-emc-date: Wed, 06 Jan 2010 16:17:51 GMT
x-emc-path: examples
x-emc-force: true
x-emc-uid: 47cadb22de2e46328e49bafc02f64637/user1
x-emc-signature: zZ0HcFSpiW1bKbWS9QF9eofViGU=

```

**Response 3**

```

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 06 Jan 2010 16:17:51 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-policy: _int
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8

```

**Request 4**

This example shows how to move the file custinfo from the directory dir/ to the directory archive/.

```

POST /rest/namespace/dir/custinfo?rename HTTP/1.1
date: Wed, 06 Jan 2010 16:20:52 GMT
x-emc-date: Wed, 06 Jan 2010 16:20:52 GMT
x-emc-path: archive/custinfo
x-emc-force: true

```

```
x-emc-uid: 47cadb22de2e46328e49bafc02f64637/user1  
x-emc-signature: 4YAhxg9fIiIajX1J4eDiFrWdNnE=
```

**Response 4**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK  
Date: Wed, 06 Jan 2010 16:20:52 GMT  
Server: Apache  
x-emc-policy: _int  
Content-Length: 0  
Connection: close  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
```

---

## Setting an ACL

Use this operation to set the access control for this object. The operation can be used for setting or resetting permissions. Either `x-emc-groupacl` or `x-emc-useracl` must be included, or the server will return an error.

---

### Object Interface

**Request**

```
POST
/rest/objects/499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560
a4?acl HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
x-emc-useracl: fred=FULL_CONTROL
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:21:00 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:21:00 GMT
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: nym3OK8kr6uDOpmomnsedRi8YY=
```

**Response**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:21:00 GMT
Server: Apache
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

---

### Namespace Interface

**Request**

```
POST /rest/namespace/photos/mypicture.jpg?acl HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
x-emc-useracl: fred=FULL_CONTROL
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:22:17 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:22:17 GMT
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: 93zwmHIQmn5wLxJUCZOcnobw/mY=
```

**Response**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:22:17 GMT
Server: Apache
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

## Setting User Metadata

The operation writes the metadata into the object. Either `x-emc-listable-meta` or `x-emc-meta` must be included in the request, or the server will return an error.

### Object Interface

#### Request

```
POST
/rest/objects/499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560
a4?metadata/user HTTP/1.1
x-emc-listable-meta: part3=fast
x-emc-meta: part1=order
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:27:24 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:27:24 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: OLI2TcDNWQ29gZv+ONr1ufCKA9M=
```

#### Response

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:27:24 GMT
Server: Apache
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

### Namespace Interface

#### Request

```
POST /rest/namespace/photos/mypicture.jpg?metadata/user
HTTP/1.1
x-emc-listable-meta: part3=fast
x-emc-meta: part1=order
accept: */*
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:28:03 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:28:03 GMT
host: 168.159.116.96
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: mfz9JwQU+7Wu5T2KFIiNZBetJ4g=
```

**Response**

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:28:03 GMT
Server: Apache
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: _int
```

## Updating an Object

Updates the contents of an object, including its metadata and ACLs. You can update part of the object or the complete object. To update part of the object, use the `Range` header (see [Chapter 2, “Common REST Headers,”](#)) to specify the beginning and ending offsets.

You can also use this operation to add or modify existing metadata or ACLs; for example, you can change metadata from listable to non-listable and vice versa.

You can use this operation to change the size of an object as follows:

- ◆ To truncate an object to `size=0`, omit the `Range` header, and specify an empty request body. Truncating an object to `size=0` leaves the object ID unchanged.
- ◆ To overwrite an object, omit the `Range` header and attach the new object content to the request body.
- ◆ To append to an object, specify the `Range` header with:

```
beginOffset=currentSizeOfTheObject
endOffset=newSizeOfTheObject - 1
```

then attach the data corresponding to the content increase to the request body.

### Updating Checksummed objects

To update an object that was created with a checksum, the update request must:

- ◆ Be an append operation.
- ◆ Include the `x-emc-wschecksum` header. The algorithm name included in the header must match the value stored in the object’s metadata. For more information about `x-emc-wschecksum`, see [Table 3, “Atmos Custom Headers”](#).

When you make the append request, you must pass in the checksum of the complete object (the current object size + the amount appended). This ensures that any data inconsistency is detected as soon as it happens. Suppose you have a 10k object, and you append 10k to it four times. The data flow would be:

- Create 10k object (POST request that includes checksum of the 10k object.)

- Append 10k to the existing 10k object (PUT request that includes the checksum of the now 20k object).
- Append 10k to the existing 20k object. (PUT request with the checksum of the now 30k object).
- Append 10k to the existing 30k object. (PUT request with the checksum of the now 40k object).
- Append 10k to the existing 40k object. (PUT request with the checksum of the now 50k object.)

You cannot:

- ◆ Pass in a checksum if the object was not created with a checksum.
- ◆ Convert an object that has a checksum to one that does not (or vice versa). To remove or add a checksum to an object, you must delete the object and recreate it.

## Object Interface

### Request

```
PUT
/rest/objects/499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499c3168560
a4 HTTP/1.1
x-emc-listable-meta: part4/part9=slow
x-emc-meta: part2=here
accept: */*
x-emc-useracl: john=WRITE
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:56:31 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:56:31 GMT
range: Bytes=10-18
host: 168.159.116.96
content-length: 9
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: opW4gNiT+MiOt/w7IxGgIeP6B+Q=
```

### Response

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:56:31 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-delta: 0
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: default
```

### Checksum Append Request

```
PUT
/rest/objects/4bf520e2a105737304bf52170a4e6204c337e3f24b
a0 HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
```

```

date: Tue, 06 Jul 2010 19:41:30 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Tue, 06 Jul 2010 19:41:30 GMT
range: Bytes=1037-1086
content-length: 50
x-emc-uid: ebd858f829114dfabbcf069637a07cfe/user1
x-emc-signature: /hNuFdtlD09Z0Ix6T2+ZxJVk/3E=
x-emc-wschecksum:
sha0/1087/4a5411a2c94ef84d32e9ff955a04d8f9f10c6ae9

```

### Checksum Append Response

```

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Thu, 17 Jun 2010 13:22:13 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-policy: default
x-emc-wschecksum:
sha0/1087/4a5411a2c94ef84d32e9ff955a04d8f9f10c6ae9
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8

```

---

## Namespace Interface

### Request

```

PUT /rest/namespace/photos/mypicture.jpg HTTP/1.1
x-emc-listable-meta: part4/part9=slow
x-emc-meta: part2=here
accept: */*
x-emc-useracl: john=WRITE
date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:58:06 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:58:06 GMT
range: Bytes=10-18
host: 168.159.116.96
content-length: 9
x-emc-uid: 33115732f3b7455d9d2344ddd235f4b9/user1
x-emc-signature: Z5S16Pyeu0ehqcyXx7TZgffle8o=

```

### Response

```

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 16:58:06 GMT
Server: Apache
x-emc-delta: 0
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
x-emc-policy: default

```

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## Overview

The SOAP API uses two Web Service Definition Language (WSDL) files that define the object and metadata API interfaces:

- ◆ `objectws.wsdl` — Retrieve this from [http://dns\\_name/soap/object?wsdl](http://dns_name/soap/object?wsdl).
- ◆ `metadataws.wsdl` — Retrieve this from [http://dns\\_name/soap/metadata?wsdl](http://dns_name/soap/metadata?wsdl).

Refer to each WSDL for its specific structure.

Clients can use the WSDL files to generate proxy classes, which they then can use to communicate with the service. The Atmos Web service responds with a SOAP response (when an operation is successful) or a SOAP fault (in case of an error).

The SOAP and WSDL standards are implemented as defined by <http://www.w3.org>.

The WSDL files contain all aspects of the XML structure, including schema definitions. As a result, you do not need to make an external reference to an XSD file to perform validation. The XSD section of the Atmos WSDL files describes the XML structure represented in the body of the SOAP envelope. The proxy classes you build and call with each XML request define the structure and typing to be included in the body of the SOAP envelope.

## Common Elements

This following table lists the XML elements that are common across the Web service. Each SOAP operation in this guide describes the specific behavior of an element.

Some elements are globally defined from within the XSD section of the WSDL files. Those elements are listed in the table as links and described in more detail in sections following the table.

**Table 7** Common XML Elements

Element	Description
<a href="#">"ACL"</a>	Permissions for the object ID.
<a href="#">"DirectoryList"</a>	A listing of contents for a specified directory.
<a href="#">"ExtentType"</a>	The offset and size of an Atmos object on the Atmos server.
Filename	The optional namespace identifier of an object.
<a href="#">"MetadataTags"</a>	The content related to metadata output.
Object	The binary content of the object.
<a href="#">"ObjectEntry"</a>	Represents a single object, including its object ID and optional system and user metadata.
ObjectID	The ID of an Atmos object assigned by the Atmos server. An ID is unique to an object.
ObjectLength	The size (in bytes) of the object body content. This element is represented as an integer.
ObjectType	The MIME type of the object.
<a href="#">"SystemMetadataList"</a>	The system metadata that will be set on the Atmos metadata server. The metadata are specified as name-value pairs.
<a href="#">"UID"</a>	The subtenant ID and user ID (UID) of an Atmos user. Only one UID is allowed for authentication, but multiple UIDs are allowed for setting ACLs. See ACL in this table.
<a href="#">"UserMetadataList"</a>	The user metadata that will be set on the Atmos metadata server. The metadata are specified as name-value pairs.

---

## ACL

The ACL (Access Control Lists) element is a global definition from the object WSDL file, which specifies the access-control permissions assigned to an object. You can assign permissions to an object at the `USER` or `GROUP` level. The following XML example shows the structure of the ACL definition and related types: `Grant`, `Grantee`, and `Permission`.

---

### Schema Representation

```
<xsd:complexType name="ACL">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="Grant" type="tns:Grant"
minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded" />
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```

---

## Grant

`Grant` is a complex type that uses the types `Grantee` and `Permission`.

---

### Schema Representation

```
<xsd:complexType name="Grant">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="Grantee" type="tns:Grantee"/>
    <xsd:element name="Permission"
type="tns:Permission" />
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```

---

## Grantee

`Grantee` is a complex type that describes whether the permission granted applies to a `USER` or `GROUP`. The only valid input for the `GROUP` type is `other`, which specifies that the object can be acted on by all other users.

---

## Schema Representation

```
<xsd:complexType name="Grantee">
  <xsd:simpleContent>
    <xsd:extension base="xsd:string">
      <xsd:attribute name="Type" use="required">
        <xsd:simpleType>
          <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string">
            <xsd:enumeration value="USER"/>
            <xsd:enumeration value="GROUP"/>
          </xsd:restriction>
        </xsd:simpleType>
      </xsd:attribute>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:simpleContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```

---

## Permission

Permission is a simple type that works in conjunction with Grantee to specify the type of control a user has over a file, including:

- ◆ READ
- ◆ WRITE
- ◆ FULL\_CONTROL
- ◆ NONE

---

## Schema Representation

```
<xsd:simpleType name="Permission">
  <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string">
    <xsd:enumeration value="READ">
    <xsd:enumeration value="WRITE">
    <xsd:enumeration value="FULL_CONTROL">
    <xsd:enumeration value="NONE">
  </xsd:restriction>
</xsd:simpleType>
```

---

## DirectoryList

---

A directory list is a listing of contents for a specified directory.

---

### Schema Representation

```
<xsd:complexType name="DirectoryEntry">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="ObjectID" type="xsd:string"
minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
    <xsd:element name="FileType" type="xsd:string"
minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
    <xsd:element name="FileName" type="xsd:string"
minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" />
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>

<xsd:complexType name="DirectoryList">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="DirectoryEntry"
type="tns:DirectoryEntry" minOccurs="0"
maxOccurs="unbounded" />
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```

## ExtentType

`ExtentType` is a globally defined, complex type that describes the *Size* and *Offset* of an Atmos object on the Atmos server. Both *Offset* and *Size* must be non-negative integers.

*Size* should never be 0 (or an error is returned).

To read/update the entire object, do not include `<Extent/>`.

It is not possible to read from an offset to the end of the object, without knowing the object's size.

### Schema Representation

```
<xsd:complexType name="ExtentType">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="Size" type="xsd:int"
minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
    <xsd:element name="Offset" type="xsd:int"
minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```

### Sample

```
<soapenv:Body wsu:Id="SigID-90772948-37ac-1dd1"
xmlns:wsu="http://docs.oasis-open.org/
  <cos:ReadObject xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos"

<cos:ObjectID>5scalable0a0573760484f89ce0ffa30484fbbfa789
ee</cos:ObjectID>
  <cos:Extent>
    <cos:Size>0</cos:Size>
    <cos:Offset>0</cos:Offset>
  </cos:Extent>
</cos:ReadObject>
</soapenv:Body>
```

## MetadataTags

Tags are a way of classifying an object. For example, a user who wants to assign tags that classify the photos he took while on vacation might create tags called beach, hotel, restaurant, and so on.

`MetadataTags` is a list of tags. When used in a response, the `Listable` element will be used to specify whether the given tag is listable, or non-listable

`MetadataTags` define the content for `Tag`, which resolves to the “`TagEntry`” type:

```
<xsd:complexType name="MetadataTags">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="Tag" type="tns:TagEntry"
minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="128" />
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```

## TagEntry

`TagEntry` defines the elements `Name` and `Listable`. `Name` returns the tag name, and `Listable` returns a boolean that specifies whether the tag name is listable:

```
<xsd:complexType name="TagEntry">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="Name" type="xsd:string"
minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
    <xsd:element name="Listable" type="xsd:boolean"
minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" />
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```

The `GetUserMetadata` and `ListUserMetadata` operations automatically include the `Listable` flag. When you want to retrieve metadata for specific tags, you do not have to specify this flag value.

User metadata is not constrained. The `Listable` flag is part of the metadata. Any time you set or reset metadata, you can set or reset this flag as well.

---

## ObjectEntry

An object entry represents a single object, including its object ID and optional system and user metadata.

---

### Schema Representation

```
<xsd:complexType name="ObjectEntry">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="ObjectID" type="xsd:string"
minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>
    <xsd:element name="SystemMetadataList"
type="tns:SystemMetadataList" minOccurs="0"
maxOccurs="1"/>
    <xsd:element name="UserMetadataList"
type="tns:UserMetadataList" minOccurs="0"
maxOccurs="1"/>
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```

---

## SystemMetadataList

System metadata describes attributes like change time and last access time. System metadata is returned by the `<metadata>` tag, which resolves to the “`SystemMetadataEntry`” type.

---

## SystemMetadataEntry

---

### Schema Representation

```
<xsd:complexType name="SystemMetadataList">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="Metadata"
type="tns:SystemMetadataEntry" minOccurs="0"
      maxOccurs="128"/>
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```

The following WSDL section shows the sequence for the `SystemMetadataEntry` type.

```
<xsd:complexType name="SystemMetadataEntry">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="Name" type="xsd:string"
minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>
    <xsd:element name="Value" type="xsd:string"
minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```

For a list of system metadata, see [“System Metadata” on page 13](#).

---

## UserMetadataList

`UserMetadataList` specifies the user metadata associated with an object. `UserMetadataList` is a globally defined, complex type.

Metadata names and values sent through the SOAP interface can use any characters from the Unicode/UTF-8 character set.

---

**Note:** The SOAP interface accepts a wider range of characters for metadata than the REST interface (which accepts only the iso-8859-1 character set). If an object that is created or updated via SOAP has metadata names or values that contain characters outside the iso-8859-1 character set, those characters cannot be encoded correctly if that object is requested via REST. In this case, the metadata name/value pair is not returned; instead a separate header is returned, containing a list of metadata names with characters that are unencodable for REST. This response header is `x-emc-unencodable-meta`; for example:

---

```
x-emc-unencodable-meta: mymetakey1, mymetakey2
```

## UserMetadataEntry

UserMetadataEntry references a name-value pair and a boolean value that specifies whether the tag is listable.

### Schema Representation

```
<xsd:complexType name="UserMetadataList">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="Metadata"
type="tns:UserMetadataEntry" minOccurs="0"
maxOccurs="128" />
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```

The following WSDL section shows the sequence for the UserMetadataEntry type:

```
<xsd:complexType name="UserMetadataEntry">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="Name" type="xsd:string"
minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
    <xsd:element name="Value" type="xsd:string"
minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
    <xsd:element name="Listable" type="xsd:boolean"
minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" />
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```

### Sample

```
<cos:UserMetadataList>
  <cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Name>part2</cos:Name>
    <cos:Value>here</cos:Value>
    <cos:Listable>>false</cos:Listable>
  </cos:Metadata>
  <cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Name>part4</cos:Name>
    <cos:Value>slow</cos:Value>
    <cos:Listable>>true</cos:Listable>
  </cos:Metadata>
</cos:UserMetadataList>
```

---

## UID

This element specifies the UID of an application that is consuming the Atmos API and the ID of the subtenant to which the UID belongs. If the subtenant ID is missing, the ID that is used is that of the default subtenant for the tenant who has access to the node to which you are connecting. Only one UID is allowed per request. The subtenant ID and UID are passed within the `<soapenv:Header...>` section of the XML payload.

A UID is a global definition for both WSDL files. It is expressed in the schema as follows:

```
<xsd:element name="UID" type="xsd:string" />
```

For example:

```
<soapenv:Header>
  <cos:UID
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">9907fb118be24f5d8619567bfb207
eeb/user1</cos:UID>
</soapenv:Header>
```

This chapter describes the SOAP API. Each section includes a description, typing, sample data structure, and schema. Each operation describes the content required to appear within the `<soapenv:Body>` and `</soapenv:Body>` tags.

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## Overview

Operations are defined in two WSDLs. See [Chapter 4, “SOAP WSDL Schema Structure.”](#)

When you create an object via Web services (using either the object or namespace interface), you specify a UID. Within the Atmos file system, the object you create is assigned a file-system UID and a default GID (group ID), where the UID is identical to the UID you specified in your create operation. Permissions must be set properly on the authentication system of the file-system mounting host, to ensure that objects created via Web services are accessible from the file-system interface. Failure to set permissions properly may result in an access error when attempting to retrieve a file.

The SOAP API has the following operations:

**Table 8** SOAP Operations

Operation Type	Operation Name
Data management	“Creating an Object” on page 113
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	“Setting User Metadata” on page 154

## Creating an Object

CreateObject creates an object with optional user metadata and ACLs. Once created, an object can be increased to any size. No validation is done on the metadata. Appropriate system metadata is generated automatically. You can specify the permissions associated with the object, the metadata tags assigned to the object, and whether the tag is listable. For details on indexing user metadata, see [Chapter 4, “SOAP WSDL Schema Structure.”](#)

CreateObject also can be used to create directories. Directories can be created implicitly or explicitly:

- ◆ Implicitly — Specify the full path for an object, and the new directories are created automatically as needed, before creating the object itself.
- ◆ Explicitly — Use CreateObject and end the directory name with a forward slash (/). There should be no attachment with the request.

The response content is the Atmos object ID/filename submitted with the original request.

**Note:** *Directly under the / directory, you can create only directories, not files.*

**Table 9** Input Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
ACL	"ACL"	0	1
FileName	String	0	1
Object	xmime:base64 Binary	0	1
ObjectLength	Integer	0	1
ObjectType	String	0	1
UserMetadataList	"UserMetadatalist"	0	1

Table 10 Output Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
ObjectID	String	1	1

## Object Interface

### Request

```
<cos:CreateObject xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:ACL>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">john</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="GROUP">other</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>NONE</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
  </cos:ACL>
  <cos:UserMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part1</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>buy</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>false</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part4/part7/part8</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>quick</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>true</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
  </cos:UserMetadataList>
  <cos:Object>
    <xop:Include
href="cid:1.4e0fb8e6-fe98-1dd1-2c42-000c29777466@apache.
org" xmlns:xop="http://www.w3.org/2004/08/xop/include"/>
    </cos:Object>
    <cos:ObjectLength>211</cos:ObjectLength>
  </cos:CreateObject>
```

### Response

```
<cos:CreateObjectResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">

<cos:ObjectID>4924264aa10573d404924281caf51f049242d810edc8</
cos:ObjectID>
</cos:CreateObjectResponse>
```

## Namespace Interface

**Request**

```
<cos:CreateObject xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:ACL>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">john</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="GROUP">other</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>NONE</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
  </cos:ACL>
  <cos:UserMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part1</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>buy</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>false</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part4/part7/part8</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>quick</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>true</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
  </cos:UserMetadataList>
  <cos:FileName>/photos/mypicture.jpg</cos:FileName>
  <cos:Object>
    <xop:Include
href="cid:1.7af5f9e2-fe98-1dd1-29b6-000c29777466@apache.org"
xmlns:xop="http://www.w3.org/2004/08/xop/include"/>
    </cos:Object>
    <cos:ObjectLength>211</cos:ObjectLength>
  </cos:CreateObject>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:CreateObjectResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">

<cos:ObjectID>499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499d78224dd0f</cos:ObjectID>
</cos:CreateObjectResponse>
```

## Deleting an Object

DeleteObject deletes the object associated with the specified object ID/filename. By deleting the object, all metadata is deleted as well.

If the operation succeeds, the response returns code 1000. If the operation fails, the SOAP envelope returns the error status; see [Chapter 8, “Error Messages and Status Codes,”](#).

**Table 11** Input Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
Filename	String	1	1
— OR —			
ObjectID			

**Table 12** Output Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
Code	String	1	1
Description	String	1	1

### Object Interface

#### Request

```
<cos:DeleteObject xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:ObjectID>499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499d813016a65</cos:ObjectID>
</cos:DeleteObject>
```

#### Response

```
<cos:DeleteObjectResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Code>1000</cos:Code>
  <cos:Description>OK</cos:Description>
</cos:DeleteObjectResponse>
```

---

## Namespace Interface

**Request**

```
<cos:DeleteObject xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:FileName>/photos/myoldpicture.jpg</cos:FileName>
</cos:DeleteObject>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:DeleteObjectResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Code>1000</cos:Code>
  <cos:Description>OK</cos:Description>
</cos:DeleteObjectResponse>
```

## Deleting User Metadata

DeleteUserMetadata deletes all user metadata with the specified user-metadata tags, for the specified object. You specify the tags of the pairs to be deleted. *This operation applies only to user metadata.*

If the operation succeeds, the response returns code 1000. If the operation fails, the SOAP envelope contains the error status; see [Chapter 8, “Error Messages and Status Codes,”](#).

**Table 13** Input Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
Filename – OR – ObjectID	String	1	1
MetadataTags	“MetadataTags”	1	1

**Table 14** Output Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
Code	String	1	1
Description	String	1	1

## Object Interface

### Request

```
<cos:DeleteUserMetadata
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">

<cos:ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499d77d6e8a01</cos:ObjectID>
  <cos:MetadataTags>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>part1</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
  </cos:MetadataTags>
</cos:DeleteUserMetadata>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:DeleteUserMetadataResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Code>1000</cos:Code>
  <cos:Description>OK</cos:Description>
</cos:DeleteUserMetadataResponse>
```

---

## Namespace Interface

**Request**

```
<cos:DeleteUserMetadata
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:FileName>/photos/mypicture.jpg</cos:FileName>
  <cos:MetadataTags>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>part1</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
  </cos:MetadataTags>
</cos:DeleteUserMetadata>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:DeleteUserMetadataResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Code>1000</cos:Code>
  <cos:Description>OK</cos:Description>
</cos:DeleteUserMetadataResponse>
```

## Getting an ACL

GetACL retrieves the permissions associated with the specified object.

**Table 15** Input Parameter

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
Filename	String	1	1
— OR —			
ObjectID			

Output parameters

**Table 16**

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
ACL	"ACL"	1	1

## Object Interface

### Request

```
<cos:GetACL xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
```

```
<cos:ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499d77d6e8a01</cos:ObjectID>
</cos:GetACL>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:GetACLResponse xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:ACL>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="GROUP">other</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>READ</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">fred</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">john</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">user1</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
  </cos:ACL>
</cos:GetACLResponse>
```

---

## Namespace Interface

**Request**

```
<cos:GetACL xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:FileName>/photos/mypicture.jpg</cos:FileName>
</cos:GetACL>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:GetACLResponse xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:ACL>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="GROUP">other</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>READ</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">fred</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">john</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">user1</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
  </cos:ACL>
</cos:GetACLResponse>
```

## Getting Listable Tags

GetListableTags retrieves all listable metadata tags; that is, the tags that act as a directory for indexed objects. For example, if an object using the tag name tag1 is indexed by tag1, tag1 is returned by this operation. Unlike all other operations, this operation is executed under the global namespace (not against an object/file).

If the response includes the <cos:Token/> element, it means that there might be more tags to retrieve. To request the next set of tags, pass the value of the <cos:Token/> in subsequent requests. When <cos:Token/> is not included in the response, it means that you have retrieved the full set of tags.

If the object that the <cos:Token/> element points to is no longer indexed under the given tag, (either because the object has been deleted or because it's listable metadata has been removed), the operation may fail with the 1037 error code.

The response payload identifies the listable tags.

**Table 17** Input Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
Tag	String	0	1
Token	String	0	1

**Table 18** Output Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
MetadataTags	"MetadataTags"	1	1
Token	String	0	1

**Request** This executes against the root, so all top-level tags are returned. Specifying a tag is optional.

```
<cos:GetListableTags
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos"/>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:GetListableTagsResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:MetadataTags>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>part4</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>part3</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>part1</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>location</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
  </cos:MetadataTags>
</cos:GetListableTagsResponse>
```

**Request 2**

This example lists the sub-tags under the tag pictures/vacation. The `<cos:Token/>` element in the response indicates that there are additional tags to be returned.

```
<cos:GetListableTags xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Tag>pictures/vacation</cos:Tag>
</cos:GetListableTags>
```

**Response 2**

To continue listing the remaining tags under pictures/vacation, use the `<cos:Token/>` element in subsequent requests.

```
<cos:GetListableTagsResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:MetadataTags>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>boston</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>newyork</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>chicago</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>miami</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>losangeles</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>sandiego</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
  </cos:MetadataTags>
</cos:GetListableTagsResponse>
```

```

        <cos:Name>sanfrancisco</cos:Name>
      </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>paris</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>london</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>rome</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
  </cos:MetadataTags>

```

```

<cos:Token>4bb5fa58a1a8482004bb5faf0d12f804bc89a4c5ddb7<
/cos:Token>
</cos:GetListableTagsResponse>

```

**Request 2a**

This example shows how to retrieve the next set of tags under the tag `pictures/vacation`. This request uses the `<cos:Token/>` element (`<cos:Token>4bb5fa58a1a8482004bb5faf0d12f804bc89a4c5ddb7</cos:Token>`) from the previous response.

```

<cos:GetListableTags xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Tag>pictures/vacation</cos:Tag>

  <cos:Token>4bb5fa58a1a8482004bb5faf0d12f804bc89a4c5ddb7<
/cos:Token>
</cos:GetListableTags>

```

**Response 2a**

Since there is no `<cos:Token/>` element in the response, there are no more tags to retrieve.

```

<cos:GetListableTagsResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:MetadataTags>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>sydney</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>athens</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>barcelona</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>milan</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>madrid</cos:Name>
    </cos:Tag>
  </cos:MetadataTags>

```

```
</cos:MetadataTags>  
</cos:GetListableTagsResponse>
```

## Getting System Metadata

GetSystemMetadata returns the system metadata for the specified object. You specify the types of system metadata to be returned; if there is no tag, all types are returned.

For a list of the system metadata that you can request from the Web service, see “System Metadata”.

**Table 19** Input Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
<i>Filename</i> – OR – <i>ObjectID</i>	String	1	1
MetadataTags	“MetadataTags”	1	1

**Table 20** Output Parameter

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
SystemMetadataList	“SystemMetadataList”	1	1

## Object Interface

### Request

```
<cos:GetSystemMetadata
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">

<cos:ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499d77d6e8a
01</cos:ObjectID>
</cos:GetSystemMetadata>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:GetSystemMetadataResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:SystemMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>atime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:31:53Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>mtime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:16:39Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>ctime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:31:53Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>itime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:16:38Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>type</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>regular</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>uid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>user1</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
  </cos:SystemMetadataList>
</cos:GetSystemMetadataResponse>
```

```

    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>gid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>apache</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>objectid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499d77d6e8a01<
    /cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>objname</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value></cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>size</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>211</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>nlink</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>0</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>polycyname</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>default</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
  </cos:SystemMetadataList>
</cos:GetSystemMetadataResponse>

```

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## Namespace Interface

### Request

```

<cos:GetSystemMetadata
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:FileName>/photos/mypicture.jpg</cos:FileName>
</cos:GetSystemMetadata>

```

**Response**

```
<cos:GetSystemMetadataResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:SystemMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>atime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:33:27Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>mtime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:17:54Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>ctime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:33:27Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>itime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:17:54Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>type</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>regular</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>uid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>user1</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
  </cos:SystemMetadataList>
</cos:GetSystemMetadataResponse>
```

```
<cos:Metadata>
  <cos:Name>gid</cos:Name>
  <cos:Value>apache</cos:Value>
</cos:Metadata>
<cos:Metadata>
  <cos:Name>objectid</cos:Name>
  <cos:Value>499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499d78224dd0f<
/cos:Value>
</cos:Metadata>
<cos:Metadata>
  <cos:Name>objname</cos:Name>
  <cos:Value>mypicture.jpg</cos:Value>
</cos:Metadata>
<cos:Metadata>
  <cos:Name>size</cos:Name>
  <cos:Value>211</cos:Value>
</cos:Metadata>
<cos:Metadata>
  <cos:Name>nlink</cos:Name>
  <cos:Value>1</cos:Value>
</cos:Metadata>
<cos:Metadata>
  <cos:Name>policyname</cos:Name>
  <cos:Value>default</cos:Value>
</cos:Metadata>
</cos:SystemMetadataList>
</cos:GetSystemMetadataResponse>
```

## Getting User Metadata

GetUserMetadata returns metadata name-value pairs associated with the user-defined tags for the specified object. You specify the tags of the pairs to be returned. If no tag is specified, all pairs are returned.

**Table 21** Input Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
Filename – OR – ObjectID	String	1	1
MetadataTags	"MetadataTags"	1	1

**Table 22** Output Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
UserMetadataList	"UserMetadataList"	0	1

## Object Interface

### Request

```
<cos:GetUserMetadata xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
<cos:ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499d77d6e8a01</cos:ObjectID>
</cos:GetUserMetadata>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:GetUserMetadataResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:UserMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part1</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>buy</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>false</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part4/part7/part8</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>quick</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>true</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part3</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>now</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>false</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
  </cos:UserMetadataList>
</cos:GetUserMetadataResponse>
```

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**Namespace Interface****Request**

```
<cos:GetUserMetadata xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:FileName>/photos/mypicture.jpg</cos:FileName>
</cos:GetUserMetadata>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:GetUserMetadataResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:UserMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part1</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>buy</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>false</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part4/part7/part8</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>quick</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>true</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part3</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>now</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>false</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
  </cos:UserMetadataList>
</cos:GetUserMetadataResponse>
```

## Listing Objects

ListObjects accepts one listable metadata tag name or a set of tag names separated by a slash (/) in the request, and it returns the objects to which you have access, indexed by those tags. The requesting UID will not be able to read the contents of the object unless the owner of the object has explicitly granted access to the requesting UID.

If IncludeMetadata is used in the request with a value of false or omitted from the request, ListObjects returns only object IDs. If IncludeMetadata is used in the request with a value of true, ListObjects returns an object list with system and user metadata.

The response returns object IDs. The output corresponds to the tag supplied in the request payload.

**Table 23** Input Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max occurs
IncludeMetadata	Boolean	0	1
Tag	String	1	1

**Table 24** Output Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
Object	"ObjectEntry"	0	unbounded

### Object Interface—without Metadata

**Request**

```
<cos:ListObjects xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Tag>location</cos:Tag>
  <cos:IncludeMetadata>>false</cos:IncludeMetadata>
</cos:ListObjects>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:ListObjectsResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Object>

    <cos:ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499d7fa9f3e
60</cos:ObjectID>
    </cos:Object>
    <cos:Object>

    <cos:ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499d7fb1ed4
b7</cos:ObjectID>
    </cos:Object>
    <cos:Object>

    <cos:ObjectID>499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499d7fc150a
02</cos:ObjectID>
    </cos:Object>
  </cos:ListObjectsResponse>
```

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**Object  
Interface—with  
Metadata****Request**

```
<cos:ListObjects xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Tag>location</cos:Tag>
  <cos:IncludeMetadata>true</cos:IncludeMetadata>
</cos:ListObjects>
```

**Response**

```

<cos:ListObjectsResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Object>

<cos:ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499d7fa9f3e60</cos:ObjectID>
  <cos:SystemMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>atime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:50:02Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>mtime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:50:02Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>ctime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:50:02Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>itime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:50:01Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>type</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>regular</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>uid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>user1</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>gid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>apache</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>objectid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499d7fa9f3e60</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>objname</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value></cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>size</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>211</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>nlink</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>0</cos:Value>
  </cos:MetadataList>
</cos:Object>
</cos:ListObjectsResponse>

```

```
        </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
        <cos:Name>polycyname</cos:Name>
        <cos:Value>default</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
</cos:SystemMetadataList>
<cos>UserMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
        <cos:Name>location</cos:Name>
        <cos:Value>cambridge</cos:Value>
        <cos:Listable>>true</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
</cos>UserMetadataList>
</cos:Object>
...
</cos>ListObjectsResponse>
```

## Listing User Metadata Tags

ListUserMetadataTags returns the user metadata tags for the specified object.

Table 25 Input Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
<i>Filename</i>	String	1	1
— OR —			
<i>ObjectID</i>			

Table 26 Output Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
MetadataTags	"MetadataTags"	1	1

## Object Interface

### Request

```
<cos:ListUserMetadataTags
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
```

```
<cos:ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499d77d6e8a
01</cos:ObjectID>
</cos:ListUserMetadataTags>
```

**Response**

```

<cos:ListUserMetadataTagsResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:MetadataTags>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>part2</cos:Name>
      <cos:Listable>>false</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>part3</cos:Name>
      <cos:Listable>>false</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>part4/part7/part8</cos:Name>
      <cos:Listable>>true</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>part4/part9</cos:Name>
      <cos:Listable>>true</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Tag>
  </cos:MetadataTags>
</cos:ListUserMetadataTagsResponse>

```

---

**Namespace  
Interface**
**Request**

```

<cos:ListUserMetadataTags
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:FileName>/photos/mypicture.jpg</cos:FileName>
</cos:ListUserMetadataTags>

```

**Response**

```
<cos:ListUserMetadataTagsResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:MetadataTags>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>part2</cos:Name>
      <cos:Listable>>false</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>part3</cos:Name>
      <cos:Listable>>false</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>part4/part7/part8</cos:Name>
      <cos:Listable>>true</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Tag>
    <cos:Tag>
      <cos:Name>part4/part9</cos:Name>
      <cos:Listable>>true</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Tag>
  </cos:MetadataTags>
</cos:ListUserMetadataTagsResponse>
```

## Reading an Object

ReadObjects returns the binary contents of the specified object from offset to offset + size.

Table 27 Input Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
<i>Filename</i> – OR – <i>ObjectID</i>	String	1	1
Extent	"ExtentType"	0	1

Table 28 Output Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
ACL	"ACL"	0	1
DirectoryList	"DirectoryList"	1	1
Object	xmime:base64Binary	1	1
ObjectType	String	0	1
SystemMetadataList	"SystemMetadataList"	0	1
UserMetadataList	"UserMetadataList"	0	1

**Note:** The response provides SystemMetadataList, UserMetadataList, ACL, and either Object and ObjectType or DirectoryList.

## Object Interface

### Request 1

```
<cos:ReadObject xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
```

```
<cos:ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499d77d6e8a01</cos:ObjectID>
</cos:ReadObject>
```

**Response 1**

```

<cos:ReadObjectResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:SystemMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>atime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:46:13Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>mtime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:46:13Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>ctime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:46:13Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>itime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:16:38Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>type</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>regular</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>uid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>user1</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>gid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>apache</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>objectid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499d77d6e8a01<
/cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>objname</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value></cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>size</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>211</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>nlink</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>0</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>policyname</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>default</cos:Value>

```

```

    </cos:Metadata>
  </cos:SystemMetadataList>
  <cos>UserMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos>Name>part1</cos>Name>
      <cos:Value>buy</cos:Value>
      <cos>Listable>>false</cos>Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos>Name>part4/part7/part8</cos>Name>
      <cos:Value>quick</cos:Value>
      <cos>Listable>>true</cos>Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos>Name>part3</cos>Name>
      <cos:Value>now</cos:Value>
      <cos>Listable>>false</cos>Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos>Name>part2</cos>Name>
      <cos:Value>here</cos:Value>
      <cos>Listable>>false</cos>Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos>Name>part4/part9</cos>Name>
      <cos:Value>slow</cos:Value>
      <cos>Listable>>true</cos>Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
  </cos>UserMetadataList>
  <cos:ACL>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="GROUP">other</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>READ</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">fred</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">john</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>WRITE</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">user1</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
  </cos:ACL>
  <cos:ObjectType/>
  <cos:Object>
    <xop:Include
href="cid:1.ce7e9c78-fe9c-1dd1-3c5f-000c29777466@apache.
org" xmlns:xop="http://www.w3.org/2004/08/xop/include"/>

```

```

    </cos:Object>
  </cos:ReadObjectResponse>

```

**Request 2** This request is for a directory that contains one subdirectory and one file.

```

<cos:ReadObject xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">

<cos:ObjectID>49a2b73da2a8bc20049a2b79d84405049a316695b311</cos:ObjectID>
</cos:ReadObject>

```

## Response 2

```

<cos:ReadObjectResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:SystemMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>atime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-23T21:34:33Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>mtime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-23T21:34:33Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>ctime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-23T21:34:33Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>itime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-23T21:34:33Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>type</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>directory</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>uid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>user1</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>gid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>apache</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>objectid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>49a2b73da2a8bc20049a2b79d84405049a316695b311</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>objname</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>mydirectory</cos:Value>

```

```

</cos:Metadata>
<cos:Metadata>
  <cos:Name>size</cos:Name>
  <cos:Value>4096</cos:Value>
</cos:Metadata>
<cos:Metadata>
  <cos:Name>nlink</cos:Name>
  <cos:Value>1</cos:Value>
</cos:Metadata>
<cos:Metadata>
  <cos:Name>polycyname</cos:Name>
  <cos:Value>default</cos:Value>
</cos:Metadata>
</cos:SystemMetadataList>
<cos:UserMetadataList/>
<cos:ACL>
  <cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grantee Type="GROUP">other</cos:Grantee>
    <cos:Permission>NONE</cos:Permission>
  </cos:Grant>
  <cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grantee Type="USER">user1</cos:Grantee>
    <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
  </cos:Grant>
</cos:ACL>
<cos:DirectoryList>
  <cos:DirectoryEntry>

<cos:ObjectID>49a2b73da2a8bc20049a2b79d84405049a41b41ee0
6a</cos:ObjectID>
  <cos:FileType>directory</cos:FileType>
  <cos:FileName>mysubdirectory</cos:FileName>
</cos:DirectoryEntry>
<cos:DirectoryEntry>

<cos:ObjectID>49a2b73da2a8bc20049a2b79d84405049a41b50916
79</cos:ObjectID>
  <cos:FileType>regular</cos:FileType>
  <cos:FileName>myfile.txt</cos:FileName>
</cos:DirectoryEntry>
</cos:DirectoryList>
</cos:ReadObjectResponse>

```

---

## Namespace Interface

### Request 1

```

<cos:ReadObject xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:FileName>/photos/mypicture.jpg</cos:FileName>
</cos:ReadObject>

```

**Response 1**

```

<cos:ReadObjectResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:SystemMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>atime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:46:56Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>mtime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:46:55Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>ctime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:46:56Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>itime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-19T15:17:54Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>type</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>regular</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>uid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>user1</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>gid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>apache</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>objectid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>499ad542a1a8bc200499ad5a6b05580499d78224dd0f<
/cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>objname</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>mypicture.jpg</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>size</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>211</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>nlink</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>1</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>policyname</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>default</cos:Value>

```

```

    </cos:Metadata>
  </cos:SystemMetadataList>
  <cos>UserMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos>Name>part1</cos>Name>
      <cos:Value>buy</cos:Value>
      <cos>Listable>>false</cos>Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos>Name>part4/part7/part8</cos>Name>
      <cos:Value>quick</cos:Value>
      <cos>Listable>>true</cos>Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos>Name>part3</cos>Name>
      <cos:Value>now</cos:Value>
      <cos>Listable>>false</cos>Listable>
    </cos:Metadata><cos:Metadata>
      <cos>Name>part2</cos>Name>
      <cos:Value>here</cos:Value>
      <cos>Listable>>false</cos>Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos>Name>part4/part9</cos>Name>
      <cos:Value>slow</cos:Value>
      <cos>Listable>>true</cos>Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
  </cos>UserMetadataList>
  <cos:ACL>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="GROUP">other</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>READ</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">fred</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">john</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>WRITE</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">user1</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
  </cos:ACL>
  <cos:ObjectType/>
  <cos:Object>
    <xop:Include
href="cid:1.d8bd826c-fe9c-1dd1-39af-000c29777466@apache.
org" xmlns:xop="http://www.w3.org/2004/08/xop/include"/>
    </cos:Object>

```

```
</cos:ReadObjectResponse>
```

**Request 2** This request is for a directory that contains one subdirectory and one file.

```
<cos:ReadObject xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">  
  <cos:FileName>mydirectory</cos:FileName>  
</cos:ReadObject>
```

**Response 2**

```

<cos:ReadObjectResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:SystemMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>atime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-23T21:34:33Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>mtime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-23T21:34:33Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>ctime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-23T21:34:33Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>itime</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>2009-02-23T21:34:33Z</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>type</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>directory</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>uid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>user1</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>gid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>apache</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>objectid</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>49a2b73da2a8bc20049a2b79d84405049a316695b311<
/ cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>objname</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>mydirectory</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>size</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>4096</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>nlink</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>1</cos:Value>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>policyname</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>default</cos:Value>

```

```
        </cos:Metadata>
    </cos:SystemMetadataList>
    <cos:UserMetadataList/>
    <cos:ACL>
        <cos:Grant>
            <cos:Grantee Type="GROUP">other</cos:Grantee>
            <cos:Permission>NONE</cos:Permission>
        </cos:Grant>
        <cos:Grant>
            <cos:Grantee Type="USER">user1</cos:Grantee>
            <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
        </cos:Grant>
    </cos:ACL>
    <cos:DirectoryList>
        <cos:DirectoryEntry>

<cos:ObjectID>49a2b73da2a8bc20049a2b79d84405049a41b41ee0
6a</cos:ObjectID>
        <cos:FileType>directory</cos:FileType>
        <cos:FileName>mysubdirectory</cos:FileName>
    </cos:DirectoryEntry>
    <cos:DirectoryEntry>

<cos:ObjectID>49a2b73da2a8bc20049a2b79d84405049a41b50916
79</cos:ObjectID>
        <cos:FileType>regular</cos:FileType>
        <cos:FileName>myfile.txt</cos:FileName>
    </cos:DirectoryEntry>
    </cos:DirectoryList>
</cos:ReadObjectResponse>
```

## Renaming a File or Directory in the Namespace

This operation lets you rename a file or directory in its current namespace.

**Note:** This operation is not supported by the object interface.

If the operation succeeds, the response returns code 1000. If the operation fails, the SOAP envelope contains the error status; see [Chapter 5, "SOAP API Reference."](#)

**Table 29** Input Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs	Description
FileName	String	1	1	The full path and current name of the file or directory you want to rename.
Path	String	1	1	The full path and new name of the directory or file. If you specify a directory in this path that does not exist, the operation creates it.
Force	Boolean	1	1	When true, the rename operation overwrites the target file (specified by the Path element) if it already exists. When false or not specified, the rename operation does not overwrite the target file, and the operation fails. A directory must be empty to be overwritten.

### Namespace Interface

**Request1** This request renames the file /dir/file to /dir/newfilename with Force set to true:

```
<cos:RenameObject xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:FileName>dir/file</cos:FileName>
  <cos:Path>dir/newfilename</cos:Path>
  <cos:Force>true</cos:Force>
</cos:RenameObject>
```

**Response 1** `<cos:RenameObjectResponse xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">  
 <cos:Code>1000</cos:Code>  
 <cos:Description>OK</cos:Description>  
</cos:RenameObjectResponse>`

**Request 2** This request changes the name of pictures/pic1 to pictures/pic2 with Force set to false. The response indicates that pictures/pic2 already exists so the operation fails.

```
<cos:RenameObject xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:FileName>pictures/pic1</cos:FileName>
  <cos:Path>pictures/pic2</cos:Path>
  <cos:Force>>false</cos:Force>
</cos:RenameObject>
```

**Response 2** `<soapenv:Fault>  
 <faultcode>soapenv:Client.1016</faultcode>  
 <faultstring>The resource you are trying to create  
 already exists.</faultstring>  
</soapenv:Fault>`

**Request 3** This request changes the name of the directory from dir to newdir:

```
<cos:RenameObject xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:FileName>dir</cos:FileName>
  <cos:Path>newdir</cos:Path>
  <cos:Force>>true</cos:Force>
</cos:RenameObject>
```

**Response 3** `<cos:RenameObjectResponse  
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">  
 <cos:Code>1000</cos:Code>  
 <cos:Description>OK</cos:Description>  
</cos:RenameObjectResponse>`

## Setting an ACL

SetACL sets/modifies the ACL permissions for the specified object.

If the operation succeeds, the response returns code 1000. If the operation fails, the SOAP envelope contains the error status; see [Chapter 5, "SOAP API Reference."](#)

**Table 30** Input Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
<i>Filename</i> – OR – <i>ObjectID</i>	String	1	1
ACL	"ACL"	1	1

**Table 31** Output Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
Code	String	1	1
Description	String	1	1

## Object Interface

### Request

```
<cos:SetACL xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
<cos:ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499d77d6e8a01</cos:ObjectID>
  <cos:ACL>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">fred</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="GROUP">other</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>READ</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
  </cos:ACL>
</cos:SetACL>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:SetACLResponse xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Code>1000</cos:Code>
  <cos:Description>OK</cos:Description>
</cos:SetACLResponse>
```

---

## Namespace Interface

**Request**

```
<cos:SetACL xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:FileName>/photos/mypicture.jpg</cos:FileName>
  <cos:ACL>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">fred</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>FULL_CONTROL</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="GROUP">other</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>READ</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
  </cos:ACL>
</cos:SetACL>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:SetACLResponse xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Code>1000</cos:Code>
  <cos:Description>OK</cos:Description>
</cos:SetACLResponse>
```

## Setting User Metadata

SetUserMetadata writes the user metadata into the specified object. If the tag does not exist, you can create it and write the corresponding value. If the tag exists, you can replace the existing value. All metadata elements must be specified, or the server returns an error.

If the operation succeeds, the response returns code 1000. If the operation fails, the SOAP envelope contains the error status; see [Chapter 5, "SOAP API Reference."](#)

**Table 32** Input Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max occurs
<i>Filename</i> – OR – <i>ObjectID</i>	String	1	1
UserMetadataList	"UserMetadataList"	1	1

**Table 33** Output Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
Code	String	1	1
Description	String	1	1

## Object Interface

### Request

```
<cos:SetUserMetadata xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499d77d6e8a01</cos:ObjectID>
  <cos:UserMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part3</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>now</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>false</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
  </cos:UserMetadataList>
</cos:SetUserMetadata>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:SetUserMetadataResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Code>1000</cos:Code>
  <cos:Description>OK</cos:Description>
</cos:SetUserMetadataResponse>
```

---

## Namespace Interface

**Request**

```
<cos:SetUserMetadata xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:FileName>/photos/mypicture.jpg</cos:FileName>
  <cos:UserMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part3</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>now</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>false</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
  </cos:UserMetadataList>
</cos:SetUserMetadata>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:SetUserMetadataResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Code>1000</cos:Code>
  <cos:Description>OK</cos:Description>
</cos:SetUserMetadataResponse>
```

## Updating an Object

UpdateObject updates (replaces) the data at the specified size and offset. If no Extent is specified, the object is replaced. If object.size <= (offset + size), the update replaces the data up to size, then appends the rest.

You can use UpdateObject to truncate an object. To change the object's size, do one of the following:

- ◆ To truncate an object to size=0, omit Extent, and specify a request that does not contain an attachment. Truncating an object to size=0 leaves the object ID unchanged.
- ◆ To overwrite an object, omit Extent and attach the new object content to the request body.
- ◆ To append to an object, specify Extent with:

```
offset=currentSizeOfTheObject
size=sizeOfTheAttachment
```

and attach the data corresponding to the content increase to the request body.

If the operation succeeds, the response returns code 1000. If the operation fails, the SOAP envelope contains the error status; [Chapter 8, "Error Messages and Status Codes,"](#).

**Table 34** Input Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
ACL	"ACL"	0	1
Extent	"ExtentType"	0	1
<i>Filename</i> – OR – <i>ObjectID</i>	String	1	1
Object	xmime:base64Binary	1	1

**Table 34** Input Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max Occurs
ObjectLength	Integer	1	1
ObjectType	String	0	1
UserMetadataList	"UserMetadataList"	0	1

**Table 35** Output Parameters

Element	Type	Min Occurs	Max occurs
Code	String	1	1
Description	String	1	1

## Object Interface

### Request

```
<cos:UpdateObject xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:ACL>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">john</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>WRITE</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
  </cos:ACL>
  <cos:UserMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part2</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>here</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>false</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part4/part9</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>slow</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>true</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
  </cos:UserMetadataList>
  <cos:Extent>
    <cos:Size>9</cos:Size>
    <cos:Offset>10</cos:Offset>
  </cos:Extent>

  <cos:ObjectID>499ad542a2a8bc200499ad5a7099940499d77d6e8a01</cos:ObjectID>
  <cos:Object>
    <xop:Include
href="cid:1.6f5c20bc-fe9c-1dd1-3cff-000c29777466@apache.org" xmlns:xop="http://www.w3.org/2004/08/xop/include"/>
    </cos:Object>
    <cos:ObjectLength>9</cos:ObjectLength>
  </cos:Object>
</cos:UpdateObject>
```

### Response

```
<cos:UpdateObjectResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Code>1000</cos:Code>
  <cos:Description>OK</cos:Description>
</cos:UpdateObjectResponse>
```

## Namespace Interface

**Request**

```
<cos:UpdateObject xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:ACL>
    <cos:Grant>
      <cos:Grantee Type="USER">john</cos:Grantee>
      <cos:Permission>WRITE</cos:Permission>
    </cos:Grant>
  </cos:ACL>
  <cos:UserMetadataList>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part2</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>here</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>false</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
    <cos:Metadata>
      <cos:Name>part4/part9</cos:Name>
      <cos:Value>slow</cos:Value>
      <cos:Listable>>true</cos:Listable>
    </cos:Metadata>
  </cos:UserMetadataList>
  <cos:Extent>
    <cos:Size>9</cos:Size>
    <cos:Offset>10</cos:Offset>
  </cos:Extent>
  <cos:FileName>/photos/mypicture.jpg</cos:FileName>
  <cos:Object>
    <xop:Include
href="cid:1.890abb5e-fe9c-1dd1-2c6b-000c29777466@apache.org"
xmlns:xop="http://www.w3.org/2004/08/xop/include"/>
    </cos:Object>
    <cos:ObjectLength>9</cos:ObjectLength>
  </cos:Object>
</cos:UpdateObject>
```

**Response**

```
<cos:UpdateObjectResponse
xmlns:cos="http://www.emc.com/cos">
  <cos:Code>1000</cos:Code>
  <cos:Description>OK</cos:Description>
</cos:UpdateObjectResponse>
```



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## Overview

Security for Web services consists of:

- ◆ *Authentication* using an encrypted signature model. See [“Managing Authentication” on page 163](#).
- ◆ *Authorization* through access-control lists (ACLs) at the user (UID) level. See [“Access Control Lists” on page 170](#).

An Atmos user may construct a “pre-authenticated” URL to a specific object that they may then share with anyone. This allows an Atmos user to let a non-Atmos user download a specific object. See [“Shareable URLs” on page 172](#).

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## Managing Authentication

The Web service uses a combination of the UID and other request headers to produce a signature that authenticates the user accessing the Web service. It uses a combination of various pieces of the message to validate the identity of the sender, integrity of the message, and non-repudiation of the action.

The UID is a unique, static value that identifies your application to the Web service. To complete the operation, you must generate a signature using the shared secret associated with the UID. Without this information, your Web-service application cannot be authenticated by the server. For the UID and shared secret corresponding to your application, contact your system administrator.

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**Note:** The shared secret is in base64-encoded form and needs to be base64 decoded before it can be used. See the detailed explanation below in [“REST Authentication: Algorithm for Securing REST Messages with Signatures”](#) on page 164.

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The server retrieves the UID from the request and retrieves the shared secret associated with that UID, stored on the server lockbox. The server then regenerates the signature using the same algorithm as the client. If this signature matches the one in the request, the Web service processes the request and returns the response payload.

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## Timestamps

Atmos also uses timestamps to enforce a request-validity window. Each request is valid for only a certain window of time from when the request was created on the client; the request must arrive at the server within this window. This request-validity window is designed to protect against replay attacks. If a request is received after this window, the server rejects the request and returns an error to the client. The creation and expiration times of the request are part of the header and are used for signature computation. This ensures that any alteration to these values is detected by the server, and the request is rejected. By default, this time window is plus or minus 5 minutes from the server time, which is in UTC.

## REST Authentication: Algorithm for Securing REST Messages with Signatures

A client using the REST API composes the request and computes a hash of the request using the algorithm for securing REST messages. The UID is stored in a custom HTTP header which is `x-emc-uid` and is a part of the request. Then, a signature is computed by applying HMAC-SHA1 on the hash and using the shared secret that maps to the UID in the request. This signature is appended to the request and sent to the Web service for comparison.

### Signature

The header has the following format:

```
x-emc-signature : signature
```

The *signature* is defined as:

```
signature = Base64(HMACSHA1(HashString))
```

where *Base64* is the base64 encoding of the argument and *HMACSHA1* is the keyed hash of the argument. The shared secret is used for computing *HMACSHA1*. The actual shared secret is in binary format. This binary array of bytes is converted to a human readable format by base64-encoding it, and this encoded format is what a user receives from the SysAdmin. Make sure the shared secret is base64-decoded before using it as an input to the HMAC SHA1 algorithm to generate the signature.

For example, here is some Ruby code:

```
digest = HMAC.digest(Digest.new(SHA1),
  Base64.decode64(key), HashString)
return Base64.encode64(digest.to_s()).chomp()
```

*SHA1* is defined above. *key* is the base64-encoded shared secret that the user receives. When you base64-encode a string, the resulting string may look like this: `xxxxxxxxxxxx\n`. You must call the `chomp()` function to remove the `\n` character at the end of the result string.

### HashString

*HashString* is computed as follows:

HTTPRequestMethod + '\n' +  
 ContentType + '\n' +  
 Range + '\n' +  
 Date + '\n' +  
 CanonicalizedResource + '\n' +  
 CanonicalizedEMCHeaders  
 where + is the concatenation operator.

Components of *HashString* are described in the following table.

**Table 36 HashString Components**

Field	Description
HTTPRequestMethod	One of the five HTTP method types, in uppercase: GET, POST, PUT, DELETE, HEAD.
Content-Type	Content type. Only the value is used, not the header name. If a request does not include an HTTP body, this is an empty string.
Range	Range header. Only the value is used, not the header name. If a request does not include the range header, this is an empty string.
Date	(Optional: Date and/or x-emc-date must be in the request.) Standard HTTP header, in UTC format. Only the date value is used, not the header name. If a request does not include the date header, this is an empty string, and the x-emc-date header is then required.
CanonicalizedResource	<p>Path and Query portions of the HTTP request URI, in lowercase. For example, when using the ACL operation (where the Query is ?acl), the value of CanonicalizedResource would be:</p> <pre>/rest/objects/5ca1ab1e0a05737604847ff1f7a26d04848167b63d9f?acl</pre> <p>When reading an object (where there is no Query), the value of CanonicalizedResource would be:</p> <pre>/rest/objects/5ca1ab1e0a05737604847ff1f7a26d04848167b63d9f</pre>
CanonicalizedEMCHeaders	Refer to the process below for canonicalizing EMC headers.

### Canonicalization of Headers

Canonicalization of EMC headers is done as follows:

1. Remove any white space before and after the colon and at the end of the metadata value. Multiple white spaces embedded within a metadata value are replaced by a single white space. For example:

Before canonicalization:

```
x-emc-meta: title=Mountain Dew
```

After canonicalization:

```
x-emc-meta:title=Mountain Dew
```

2. Convert all header names to lowercase.
3. Sort the headers alphabetically.
4. For headers with values that span multiple lines, convert them into one line by replacing any newline characters and extra embedded white spaces in the value.
5. Concatenate all headers together, using newlines (`\n`) separating each header from the next one. There should be no terminating newline character at the end of the last header.

### REST Example Request

```
POST /rest/objects HTTP/1.1
x-emc-listable-meta: part4/part7/part8=quick
x-emc-meta: part1=buy
accept: */*
x-emc-useracl: john=FULL_CONTROL,mary=WRITE
date: Thu, 05 Jun 2008 16:38:19 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Thu, 05 Jun 2008 16:38:19 GMT
x-emc-groupacl: other=NONE
host: 10.5.115.118
content-length: 4286
x-emc-uid: 6039ac182f194e15b9261d73ce044939/user1
```

### REST Example HashString

```
POST
application/octet-stream

Thu, 05 Jun 2008 16:38:19 GMT
/rest/objects
x-emc-date:Thu, 05 Jun 2008 16:38:19 GMT
x-emc-groupacl:other=NONE
x-emc-listable-meta:part4/part7/part8=quick
x-emc-meta:part1=buy
x-emc-uid:6039ac182f194e15b9261d73ce044939/user1
x-emc-useracl:john=FULL_CONTROL,mary=WRITE
```

Note that there is a blank line included in the above example to account for the missing Range header.

If you use the following key:

```
LJLuryj6zs8ste6Y3jTGQp71xq0=
```

on the hash string above, you will generate the following signature:

```
WHJo1MFevMnK4jCthJ974L3YHoo=
```

## SOAP Authentication

The Atmos SOAP Web service uses the WS-Security standard for securing communication between client and server. It implements security using symmetric key authentication. Atmos uses a signature policy to authenticate the UID making the request. The requestor's UID and the subtenant ID to which the UID belongs are part of the SOAP header. The signature is generated by computing the HMAC-SHA1 of a digest string. The digest is a combination of various pieces of the SOAP message. The shared secret used for the HMAC-SHA1 algorithm is shared between the client and the server.

The following policy, which is part of the WSDLs, is used to enforce compliance of incoming SOAP request with WS-Security standards. This policy describes the details of the WS-Security implementation, like the algorithm used for signing, parts of the SOAP message that are used for signature computation, and the canonicalization algorithm used. This policy is meant to be interpreted by any WSDL-to-code generation tool that supports WS-Security standards.

```
<wsp:Policy wsu:ID="SymmetricKeyPolicy">
  <wsp:ExactlyOne>
    <wsp:All>
      <sp:SymmetricBinding>
        <wsp:Policy>
          <sp:ProtectionToken>
            <wsp:Policy>
              <sp:SecurityContextToken

sp:IncludeToken="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/
2005/07/securitypolicy/IncludeToken/Never">
          <wsp:Policy>
            </wsp:Policy>
          </wsp:Policy>
        </sp:ProtectionToken>
```

```

        <sp:AlgorithmSuite>
            <wsp:Policy>
                <sp:Basic256/>
            </wsp:Policy>
        </sp:AlgorithmSuite>
    <sp:Layout>
        <wsp:Policy>
            <sp:Strict/>
        </wsp:Policy>
    </sp:Layout>
    <sp:IncludeTimestamp/>
    <sp:EncryptBeforeSigning/>
    <sp:OnlySignEntireHeadersAndBody/>
</wsp:Policy>
</sp:SymmetricBinding>
<sp:Wss10>
    <wsp:Policy>
        <sp:MustSupportRefKeyIdentifier/>
        <sp:MustSupportRefEmbeddedToken/>
        <sp:MustSupportRefIssuerSerial/>
    </wsp:Policy>
</sp:Wss10>
</wsp:All>
</wsp:ExactlyOne>
</wsp:Policy>
<wsp:Policy wsu:ID="SignaturePolicy">
    <sp:SignedPartgs>
        <sp:Body/>
    </sp:SignedParts>
</wsp:Policy>

```

## Access Control Lists

UIDs are used for both authentication and controlling access to objects using ACLs. By default, no UID except the owner of an object has any access to the object. The owner may choose to grant access to any UID under the same subtenant as himself. The access level can be READ, WRITE, or FULL\_CONTROL. ACLs also can be used to revoke permission to specific UIDs. Note that ACLs cannot be used to grant access to UIDs across different subtenants.

For details on user ACLs for your application, contact your Atmos system administrator.

### REST ACLs

You set user-level authorization with the x-emc-groupacl or x-emc-useracl custom headers, which define access control for objects (see [“Custom Headers” on page 31](#)). Access control for files and directories is done with standard file-system commands like chmod.

### REST Example Request

The following example shows a request for the SetACL method.

- ◆ The x-emc-useracl: fred=FULL\_CONTROL header specifies full access control for one user, fred.
- ◆ The x-emc-groupacl: other=READ header specifies group read attributes for the object.

```
POST
/rest/objects/5ca1ab1e0a05737604847ff1f7a26d04848167b63d
9f?acl HTTP/1.1
accept: */*
x-emc-useracl: fred=FULL_CONTROL
date: Thu, 05 Jun 2008 16:38:23 GMT
content-type: application/octet-stream
x-emc-date: Thu, 05 Jun 2008 16:38:23 GMT
x-emc-groupacl: other=READ
host: 10.5.115.118
x-emc-uid: 6039ac182f194e15b9261d73ce044939/user1
x-emc-signature: MDaCy5+1t7ZYdglRxpIOrF4K1hU=
```

### REST Example Response

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Thu, 05 Jun 2008 16:38:23 GMT
Server: Apache/2.0.61 (rPath)
Content-Length: 0
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8
```

---

## SOAP ACLs

User-level authorization is achieved by using the “ACL” element of the WSDL to set the access control for objects. Access can be granted or revoked to one or more UIDs at the same time.

## Shareable URLs

An Atmos user (UID) can construct a pre-authenticated URL to an object, which may then be used by anyone to retrieve the object (for example, through a browser). This allows an Atmos user to let a non-Atmos user download a specific object. The entire object/file is read.

### URL Syntax

The URL has the following syntax:

```
http://MyAtmosServer/location?uid=uid&expires=expires&signature=signature
```

Where the parameters are defined as follows:

**Table 37** URL Parameters

Parameter	Description
location	<p><code>/objects /object_ID</code> — OR — <code>/namespace/pathname</code></p> <p>For example: <code>/rest/objects/496cbaada2a8bc200496cb b0dd04a004970ce8be68a6</code></p> <p>— OR — <code>/rest/namespace/videos/mycoolvideo</code></p>
uid	The UID (and optional subtenant). The UID must have read access to the requested object.
expires	The expiration date/time, specified in seconds since Jan 1 1970 UTC 00:00:00. For example, to expire the object at Fri Feb 20 09:34:28 -0500 2009, expires would be 1235140468. Requests made after this time will fail.
signature	Base64-encoded HMAC-SHA1 of the hash string. See <a href="#">“Calculating the Signature” on page 173</a> . The URL is signed using the UID’s secret key, to prevent tampering.

### Example

The following example is one line. For readability, however, it is shown here on several lines.

```
http://MyAtmosServer/rest/objects/5ca1ab1ec0a8bc1b049412
d09a510804941767490dde?
uid=64dbbc37bef04889b175c9ee21b0517b%2Fuser1&
expires=1235140468&
signature=GJdwY1D1ex2CCyuPIyGMc5HdSzw%3D
```

## Calculating the Signature

The signature is defined and calculated as described in [“Signature” on page 164](#).

*HashString* is computed as follows:

```
GET + '\n' +
requested-resource + '\n' +
uid + '\n' +
expires
```

where + is the concatenation operator, and *requested-resource* is lowercase.

**Note:** When computing *HashString*, the values for *uid* and *signature* should not be URL-encoded. (They should be URL-encoded when piecing together the final URL.) For example:

This UID:

```
64dbbc37bef04889b175c9ee21b0517b/user1
```

Becomes:

```
64dbbc37bef04889b175c9ee21b0517b%2Fuser1
```

This signature:

```
GJdwY1D1ex2CCyuPIyGMc5HdSzw=
```

Becomes:

```
GJdwY1D1ex2CCyuPIyGMc5HdSzw%3D
```

Here is a sample *HashString* computation:

```
GET\n
/rest/objects/5ca1ab1ec0a8bc1b049412d09a510804941767490dde\n
64dbbc37bef04889b175c9ee21b0517b/user1\n
1235140468
```

In this case, the base64-encoded key that was used is

```
LJLuryj6zs8ste6Y3jTGQp71xq0=.
```



## Reserved Namespace for Extended Attributes

This chapter describes the Atmos reserved namespace for extended attributes.

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## Overview

For each file/object, there is a protected namespace — `user.maui.*` — for extended attributes. The namespace can be accessed via the file system using the Atmos installable file system and through the Linux extended-attribute command-line utilities, `getfattr` and `setfattr`. When the installable file system is used, Atmos layers user-metadata access across POSIX extended attributes; some system metadata also can be accessed through the extended-attribute mechanism (see below).

The `user.maui` extended-attribute namespace is reserved; for example, EMC controls the contents of the namespace and the format of its fields. Some of the `xattrs` are exposed to applications, as defined below (see the table in [“Capability” on page 179.](#)” As noted in the table, some `xattrs` can be only queried, others can be queried and modified. Applications cannot create new `xattrs` in this namespace. Failure to follow the defined contents and format of the namespace results in undefined behavior and may lead to future failures or inconsistencies.

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## Linux Extended Attributes

Extended attributes are name:value pairs associated permanently with files and directories, similar to the environment strings associated with a process. An attribute may be defined or undefined. If it is defined, its value may be empty or non-empty.

Extended attributes are extensions to normal attributes. Often, they are used to provide additional functionality to a file system.

Users with search access to a file or directory may retrieve a list of attribute names defined for that file or directory.

Extended attributes are accessed as atomic objects. Reading retrieves the whole value of an attribute and stores it in a buffer. Writing replaces any previous value with the new value.

For more information, see the extended-attribute manual page. On a Linux system, you can query this with:

```
man 5 attr
```

## Atmos Extended Attributes

The protected namespace contains the following attributes:

**Table 38** Attributes in the Protected Namespace

Attribute	Can Query?	Can Set?	See...
capability	X		"Capability" on page 179
expirationEnable	X	X	"Expiration of Objects" on page 179
expirationEnd	X	X	"Expiration of Objects" on page 179
lso	X		"Layout Storage Object" on page 180
mdsmaster	X		"MDS (Metadata Service)" on page 182
mdsreplicas	X		"MDS (Metadata Service)" on page 182
nlink	X		"Number of Links" on page 182
objectid	X		"Object ID" on page 182
objState	X		objState is an internal field and not relevant for users.
queues	X		"Queues" on page 182
refCount	X		"Reference Count" on page 182
retentionEnable	X	X	"Retention of Objects" on page 183
retentionEnd	X	X	"Retention of Objects" on page 183
stats	X	X	"Statistics" on page 184
tracer	X	X	"Log Tracing" on page 184
updateNum	X		"updateNum" on page 184

## Capability

Generically, a capability is an unforgeable token of authority. A capability is granted to an application by an MDS when the application successfully opens an object for access. Subsequently, the capability can be passed by the application to storage servers, to prove to the storage server that the MDS has authorized the application to access the object. The capability transfers notice of the MDS's authorization to the storage servers in a secure manner through the client.

When this is queried, "unavailable" is returned if the client does not have a capability.

### Get Example

```
# getfattr -n user.maui.capability /mnt/mauifs/bar
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names
# file: mnt/mauifs/bar
user.maui.capability="unavailable"
```

## Expiration of Objects

An expiration period is a period after which the data is deleted. Object expiration is controlled by policies. You can change the policy parameter value in the object directly. The parameters are accessible as if they were user-metadata attributes of the object. The policy attributes have Atmos-specific reserved names to distinguish them from user-defined attributes. The reserved names are:

- ◆ user.maui.expirationEnable: Of type string ("true" or "false")
- ◆ user.maui.expirationEnd: Of type xsd:dateTime (for example, 2008-04-16T10:00:00Z)

You can get/set these attributes through either the file-system interface (the getfattr/setattr examples shown below) or the object interface (GetUserMetadata /SetUserMetadata).

**Note:** Expiration applies only to files, not directories.

**Note:** These policy attributes cannot be created in an object using the calls to setfattr/MauiclientSetUserMetadata(). The attributes must exist as a result of policy application, to be retrieved or updated.

### Get and Set Examples

```
# getfattr -n user.maui.expirationEnd
/mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg

getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names
# file: mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
```

```

user.maui.expirationEnd="2009-04-04T23:22:14Z"

# getfattr -n user.maui.expirationEnable
/mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names

# file: mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
user.maui.expirationEnable="true"

# setfattr -n user.maui.expirationEnd -v
2009-05-04T23:22:14Z /mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg

# getfattr -n user.maui.expirationEnd
/mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names

# file: mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
user.maui.expirationEnd="2009-05-04T23:22:14Z"

# setfattr -n user.maui.expirationEnable -v false
/mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg

# getfattr -n user.maui.expirationEnable
/mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names

# file: mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
user.maui.expirationEnable="false"

```

---

## Layout Storage Object

A Layout Storage Object (LSO) is a data structure that describes how the data in an object is allocated on one or more SSS (for example, replication, striping, and chunking into extents).

### Get Example

```

# getfattr -n user.maui.lso /mnt/mauifs/bar
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names

# file: mnt/mauifs/bar user.maui.lso="<?xml
version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"
standalone="no"?\012<maui:Lso
xmlns:maui="http://www.emc.com/maui\"
xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance\"
xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.emc.com/maui lso.xsd\"
xsi:type="maui:LsoReplica\">\012
<type>Replica</type>\012
<id>1</id>\012 <refcnt>1</refcnt>\012 <replica>\012
<type>sync</type>\012 <current>>true</current>\012

```

```

<queryStr>for $h
in CLUSTER/HOST where
$h/METRIC[@NAME=\"mauiss_status\"]/@VAL=\"up\"</queryStr
>\012
<revision>2</revision>\012 <child
xsi:type=\"maui:LsoExtent\">\012
<type>Extent</type>\012 <id>3</id>\012
<refcnt>1</refcnt>\012
<extent>\012 <offset>0</offset>\012
<length>0</length>\012
<child xsi:type=\"maui:LsoPhysical\">\012
<type>Physical</type>\012 <id>2</id>\012
<refcnt>1</refcnt>\012 <ssaddr>\012
<service>SS</service>\012
<host>indy-003</host>\012 <port>10301</port>\012
<location>Indy</location>\012 </ssaddr>\012
<capacity>0</capacity>\012 <osdid>89</osdid>\012
</child>\012
</extent>\012 </child>\012 </replica>\012 <replica>\012
<type>sync</type>\012 <current>>true</current>\012
<queryStr>for $h
in CLUSTER/HOST where
$h/METRIC[@NAME=\"mauiss_status\"]/@VAL=\"up\"</queryStr
>\012
<revision>2</revision>\012 <child
xsi:type=\"maui:LsoExtent\">\012
<type>Extent</type>\012 <id>5</id>\012
<refcnt>1</refcnt>\012
<extent>\012 <offset>0</offset>\012
<length>0</length>\012
<child xsi:type=\"maui:LsoPhysical\">\012
<type>Physical</type>\012 <id>4</id>\012
<refcnt>1</refcnt>\012 <ssaddr>\012
<service>SS</service>\012
<host>indy-001</host>\012 <port>10301</port>\012
<location>Indy</location>\012 </ssaddr>\012
<capacity>0</capacity>\012 <osdid>88</osdid>\012
</child>\012
</extent>\012 </child>\012 </replica>\012
<revision>1</revision>\012
<creatLoc>Indy</creatLoc>\012</maui:Lso>\012"

```

---

## MDS (Metadata Service)

The MDS is where metadata is stored and managed. mdsmaster is the MDS that is hosting the database master for the object. mdsreplicas are the MDS(s) that are hosting the database slave(s) for the object.

### Get Examples

```
# getfattr -n user.maui.mdsmaster /mnt/mauifs/bar
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names

# file: mnt/mauifs/bar
user.maui.mdsmaster="indy-001:10401:Indy"

# getfattr -n user.maui.mdsreplicas /mnt/mauifs/bar
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names

# file: mnt/mauifs/bar
user.maui.mdsreplicas="indy-002:10401"
```

---

## Number of Links

nlink is the number of hard links to a file. This is a system-metadata field, generally not relevant to a user application. Hard links are not currently supported, so this always returns 1.

### Get Examples

```
# getfattr -n user.maui.nlink /mnt/mauifs/bar
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names

# file: mnt/mauifs/bar
user.maui.nlink="1"
```

---

## Object ID

objectid is the object ID; for example, 4924264aa10573d404924281caf51f049242d810edc8.

### Get Example

```
# getfattr -n user.maui.objectid /mnt/mauifs/bar
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names

# file: mnt/mauifs/bar
user.maui.objectid="49a660fb00000000000000000000000000000000000049a7d8ea59701"
```

---

## Queues

queues reports the length of the event queues inside the client library. This is for developer debugging and not relevant for users.

---

## Reference Count

refCount is not currently used. It always returns 0.

### Get Example

```
# getfattr -n user.maui.refCount /mnt/mauifs/bar
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names
```

```
# file: mnt/mauifs/bar user.mai.refCount="0"
```

## Retention of Objects

A retention period is a period during which the data cannot be modified. Object retention is controlled by policies. You can change the policy parameter value in the object directly. The parameters are accessible as if they were user-metadata attributes of the object. The policy attributes have Atmos-specific reserved names to distinguish them from user-defined attributes. The reserved names are:

- ◆ `user.mai.retentionEnable`— Of type string ("true" or "false")
- ◆ `user.mai.retentionEnd`— Of type `xsd:dateTime` (for example, 2008-04-16T10:00:00Z)

You can get/set these attributes through either the file-system interface (the `getfattr`/`setfattr` examples shown below) or the object interface (`GetUserMetadata` /`SetUserMetadata`).

**Note:** These policy attributes cannot be created in an object using the calls to `setfattr`/`MauiClientSetUserMetadata()`. The attributes must exist as a result of policy application, to be retrieved or updated.

## Get and Set Examples

```
# getfattr -n user.mai.retentionEnable
/mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names

# file: mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
user.mai.retentionEnable="true"

# getfattr -n user.mai.retentionEnd
/mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names

# file: mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
user.mai.retentionEnd="2009-03-05T23:22:14Z"

# setfattr -n user.mai.retentionEnd -v
2009-03-06T23:22:14Z /mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg

# getfattr -n user.mai.retentionEnd
/mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names

# file: mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
user.mai.retentionEnd="2009-03-06T23:22:14Z"

# setfattr -n user.mai.retentionEnable -v false
/mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
```

```
# getfattr -n user.maui.retentionEnable
/mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names

# file: mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
user.maui.retentionEnable="false"

# getfattr -n user.maui.retentionEnd
/mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names

# file: mnt/mauifs/CIFS/boat1.jpg
user.maui.retentionEnd="NONE"
```

---

## Statistics

stats enables querying to return the performance metrics collected for the internal client library. Valid values to set are reset/clear, enable, and disable. This is for developer debugging and not relevant for users.

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## Log Tracing

tracer can be set but not queried. When it is set (to any value), the logging configuration file is re-read. This is for developer debugging and not relevant for users

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## updateNum

updateNum is used by the asynchronous-replication mechanism to determine when a replica is current. This is internal metadata and not relevant to users.

## Error Messages and Status Codes

This chapter lists the codes that are trapped and returned during Web-service operations.

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## REST Information

When the operations are invoked using the REST interface and an exception occurs, the server returns an HTTP error, along with a detailed error message in the response body, which contains the error code and error description.

```
HTTP/1.1 404 Not Found
Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2008 20:03:24 GMT
Server: Apache/2.0.61 (rPath)
Content-Length: 131
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/xml
```

```
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<Error>
  <Code>1003</Code>
  <Message>The requested object was not found.</Message>
</Error>
```

## SOAP Information

When the operations are invoked using the SOAP interface and an exception occurs, the server returns a SOAP fault in the following format:

```
<soapenv:Envelope
xmlns:soapenv="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/">
  <soapenv:Header/>
  <soapenv:Body>
    <soapenv:Fault>

<faultcode>soapenv:Client|Server.ErrorCode</faultcode>
  <faultstring>Error Description</faultstring>
  </soapenv:Fault>
</soapenv:Body>
</soapenv:Envelope>
```

Note the parsing in the `<faultcode>` field:

- ◆ The first part specifies whether the error occurred because of an error in the request from the client or a processing error on the server side. In case of a client error, taking corrective action to address the error and resending the request generally results in a successful response. Server errors generally mean there is no corrective action the client can take to resolve the error. In such cases, the client should try submitting a new request; if the problem persists, contact the Atmos system administrator.
- ◆ The second part provides the error code.

An actual error message follows. The `<faultcode>` field indicates there was an error in the request.

```
<soapenv:Envelope xmlns:
soapenv="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/">
  <soapenv:Header/>
  <soapenv:Body>
    <soapenv:Fault>
      <soapenv:Fault>
        <faultcode>SOAPenv:Client.1004</faultcode>
        <faultstring>The specified range cannot be
satisfied.</faultstring>
      </soapenv:Fault>
    </soapenv:Body>
  </soapenv:Envelope>
```

## Error Codes

In the following table, the HTTP status codes and descriptions apply only to REST.

**Table 39 HTTP Status Codes for REST**

<b>Error Code</b>	<b>Error Message</b>	<b>HTTP Status Code</b>	<b>HTTP Status Description</b>
1001	The server encountered an internal error. Please try again.	500	Internal Server Error
1002	One or more arguments in the request were invalid.	400	Bad Request
1003	The requested object was not found.	404	Not Found
1004	The specified range cannot be satisfied.	416	Requested Range Not Satisfiable
1005	One or more metadata tags were not found for the requested object.	400	Bad Request
1006	Operation aborted because of a conflicting operation in process against the resource. Note This error code may indicate that the system temporarily is too busy to process the request. This is a non-fatal error; you can re-try the request later.	409	Conflict
1007	The server encountered an internal error. Please try again.	500	Internal Server Error
1008	The requested resource was not found on the server.	400	Bad Request
1009	The method specified in the Request is not allowed for the resource identified.	405	Method Not Allowed
1010	The requested object size exceeds the maximum allowed upload/download size.	400	Bad Request
1011	The specified object length does not match the actual length of the attached object.	400	Bad Request

Table 39 HTTP Status Codes for REST

Error Code	Error Message	HTTP Status Code	HTTP Status Description
1012	There was a mismatch between the attached object size and the specified extent size.	400	Bad Request
1013	The server encountered an internal error. Please try again.	500	Internal Server Error
1014	The maximum allowed metadata entries per object has been exceeded.	400	Bad Request
1015	The request could not be finished due to insufficient access privileges.	401	Unauthorized
1016	The resource you are trying to create already exists.	400	Bad Request
1019	The server encountered an I/O error. Please try again.	500	Internal Server Error
1020	The requested resource is missing or could not be found.	500	Internal Server Error
1021	The requested resource is not a directory.	400	Bad Request
1022	The requested resource is a directory.	400	Bad Request
1023	The directory you are attempting to delete is not empty.	400	Bad Request
1024	The server encountered an internal error. Please try again.	500	Internal Server Error
1025	The server encountered an internal error. Please try again.	500	Internal Server Error
1026	The server encountered an internal error. Please try again.	500	Internal Server Error
1027	The server encountered an internal error. Please try again.	500	Internal Server Error
1028	The server encountered an internal error. Please try again.	500	Internal Server Error
1029	The server encountered an internal error. Please try again.	500	Internal Server Error

Table 39 HTTP Status Codes for REST

Error Code	Error Message	HTTP Status Code	HTTP Status Description
1031	The request timestamp was outside the valid time window.	403	Forbidden
1032	There was a mismatch between the signature in the request and the signature as computed by the server.	403	Forbidden
1033	Unable to retrieve the secret key for the specified user.	403	Forbidden
1034	Unable to read the contents of the HTTP body.	400	Bad Request
1037	The specified token is invalid.	400	Bad Request
1040	The server is busy. Please try again	500	Internal Server Error
1041	The requested filename length exceeds the maximum length allowed.	400	Bad Request
1042	The requested operation is not supported.	400	Bad Request
1043	The object has the maximum number of links	400	Bad Request
1044	The specified parent does not exist.	400	Bad Request
1045	The specified parent is not a directory.	400	Bad Request
1046	The specified object is not in the namespace.	400	Bad Request
1047	Source and target are the same file.	400	Bad Request
1048	The target directory is not empty and may not be overwritten	400	Bad Request
1049	The checksum sent with the request did not match the checksum as computed by the server	400	Bad Request
1050	The requested checksum algorithm is different than the one previously used for this object.	400	Bad Request

Table 39 HTTP Status Codes for REST

Error Code	Error Message	HTTP Status Code	HTTP Status Description
1051	Checksum verification may only be used with append update requests	400	Bad Request
1052	The specified checksum algorithm is not implemented.	400	Bad Request
1053	Checksum cannot be computed for an object on update for which one wasn't computed at create time.	400	Bad Request
1054	The checksum input parameter was missing from the request.	400	Bad Request

## HTTP Success Codes

Table 40 HTTP Success Codes

HTTP Status Code	HTTP Status Description	Description
200	OK	The request has succeeded.
201	Created	The request has been fulfilled and resulted in a new object being created. This applies to CreateObject requests.
204	No Content	The request has been fulfilled, and no content is being sent with the response. This applies to DeleteObject and DeleteUserMetadata requests.
206	Partial Content	The server has fulfilled the partial GET request for the object. This applies to ReadObject requests that include the Range header).



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